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 **Hon. SJ MILES** (Murrumba—ALP) (Deputy Premier and Minister for Health and Minister for Ambulance Services) (9.47 am): When it comes to our battle against COVID-19, zero days are the best days. I am proud to report we have had no new cases of COVID-19 overnight. That is out of 2,999 tests. Thanks to Queenslanders' efforts to contain the virus, we are able to do more elective surgeries and reopen more screening services.

In April, along with non-urgent elective surgery, BreastScreen Queensland services were temporarily suspended due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We are now opening these vital services again. There is no better example of how important this service is than the fact that we have already identified two women with breast cancer since screening restarted. That is two lives we now have the chance to save thanks to our wonderful BreastScreen staff and service. BreastScreen Queensland services have now recommenced in nine out of 11 regions across the state and we hope to be up to full operation as soon as possible.