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ADJOURNMENT

'The Right Priorities for Queensland's Future'

Dr ROBINSON (Oodgeroo—LNP) (7.07 pm): 'The Right Priorities for Queensland's Future' outlines five key priorities for an LNP government, focusing on the issues that thousands of Queenslanders from all walks of life have told us matter to them: community safety, health, cost of living, economy, finance, housing, integrity and much more. When Labor criticise these priorities as wrong and fake, they are criticising Queenslanders and showing that they have stopped listening.

The local team in the Redlands that will deliver on these LNP priorities is taking shape already. Amanda Stoker was recently preselected as the LNP candidate for Oodgeroo, and this news has been welcomed locally. Amanda joins a united team that has its priorities right—unlike this divided and chaotic Labor government that is chasing all kinds of things not supported by Queenslanders. LNP women, like Amanda Stoker and Rebecca Young, are bringing new energy and vision to the Redlands Coast, and there are more to come.

I will outline the five priorities. The first priority is 'safer communities'. Redlands is in the grip of a youth crime crisis. Redlanders feel scared in greater numbers than ever before, living in fear in their own homes. At a Thornlands park recently, Amanda Stoker, Rebecca Young and I, together with David Crisafulli and Dale Last, heard about violent machete attacks, the ram raid of an IGA store, homes being broken into, and record numbers of car thefts. Astonishingly, Labor—from the Premier down—believes that this youth crime crisis is a media beat-up.

The second priority is 'easier access to health services'. Redlanders have endured the worst health service at Redland Hospital in our history because of Labor's mismanagement—with the worst ever ambulance ramping, at a record high 73 per cent, 24-hour ED waits for a bed and no ICU in '22. The reason for that is priorities. Labor built a medical centre and a car park instead of fixing the hospital.

The third priority is 'saving you paying for Labor's failures' by eliminating Labor waste and driving down the cost of living. Billions of dollars have been wasted on Labor fails like the \$220 million Wellcamp white elephant and the \$2.4 billion train blowouts. Then there is the priority of 'securing our housing foundations'. Many young Redlanders cannot afford to buy a home but want to, and many cannot even rent. We will focus on helping aspiring young people to get into their first home, among other things. Then there is the priority of 'working harder for Queenslanders'. We will restore integrity and govern for all Queenslanders.

Only the LNP is listening to Redlanders and is committed to what matters to them. I say to Redlanders: with no ICU in '22, show Labor the door in '24.