



Speech By Hon. Dr Steven Miles

MEMBER FOR MURRUMBA

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MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Path to Treaty

Hon. SJ MILES (Murrumba—ALP) (Deputy Premier, Minister for State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister Assisting the Premier on Olympic and Paralympic Games Infrastructure) (9.45 am): Today the Premier will introduce legislation that formalises our Path to Treaty with Queensland's First Nations people. This is an historic day. The treaty legislation establishes a First Nations Treaty Institute and a telling and healing inquiry. These are important steps on the Path to Treaty. We are determined for this process to be more than a symbolic gesture, with concrete actions that respond to the wishes of Queensland's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities. Our commitment to treaty accepts the generous invitation that First Nations people made to all Australians in the Uluru Statement from the Heart to walk with them in a movement for a better future, as does the Albanese government's referendum on a voice to federal government which we are also proud to support.