



Speech By  
**Dr Christian Rowan**


**MEMBER FOR MOGGILL**

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**PRIVATE MEMBER'S STATEMENT**

**Moggill Electorate**

 **Dr ROWAN** (Moggill—LNP) (2.57 pm): In my capacity as the assistant minister to the Premier, it was my pleasure to attend this week's citizenship ceremony at Brisbane City Hall which was presided over by the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor of Brisbane, Councillor Adrian Schrinner. Along with the Lord Mayor, I was delighted to welcome and celebrate our newest Australian citizens. The member for Jordan was also in attendance at this ceremony along with the Lady Mayoress, Nina Schrinner.

The electorate of Moggill has 11 local schools, and each year I am delighted to attend local school graduation ceremonies and also their respective awards nights. I wish to congratulate all graduating year 6 students of our local primary schools as well as the graduating year 12 students of not only Kenmore State High School but also other secondary schools. Across all of our schools, one thing is clear: there is great leadership capability amongst our next generation. Certainly, when looking for future leaders of our state, whether in business, sporting endeavours, the professions or, alternatively, community service occupations and endeavours, there is an absolute wealth of talent.

On the subject of education, our students and their respective endeavours are a result of outstanding educators, teachers and mentors. Recently, it was my pleasure to recognise four such distinguished educators in the electorate of Moggill: Ed Kennedy, who is retiring after 36 years with Education Queensland including 29 years with Kenmore State High School, and Natasha Moore and Robert Pratt of the Kenmore West Kindergarten and Lyndall Hind from the Kenmore District Kindergarten, all of whom have given many years of dedicated service to early childhood education.

I also offer my congratulations to the Moggill Girl Guides on celebrating a remarkable 50 years. This milestone was celebrated with retro party games, a barbecue and a beautiful cake to honour five decades of Girl Guiding in Moggill and surrounding areas. Last weekend it was wonderful to see local residents turn out in great numbers to support the inaugural Bellbowrie Christmas Twilight Markets and Community and Veterans Expo. The Bellbowrie Sports and Community Club hosted this outstanding community afternoon event for residents, complete with market stalls and showcasing great community organisations, including the Moggill Group SES, the National Servicemen's Memorial Band, Mates4Mates and 42 for 42, with representatives also in attendance from the Queensland Police Service. Well done to all who organised the event and specifically members of the Kenmore-Moggill RSL Subbranch.

As we enter the Christmas and new year period, I want to also extend my appreciation to all dedicated emergency service personnel who will continue to support Queenslanders over the holiday period. In concluding, I take this opportunity to wish you, Mr Speaker, other elected representatives, all parliamentary staff and local residents of the electorate of Moggill all the best for Christmas and a happy and healthy new year in 2025.