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 **Hon. BA MICKELBERG** (Buderim—LNP) (Minister for Transport and Main Roads) (5.03 pm): Labor turned the Olympics into a five-ring circus. Unlike Labor, the new LNP Crisafulli government are focused on getting on with the job. We are getting on with the job of delivering a plan—the 2032 Delivery Plan—for generational transport infrastructure and for projects like the Logan to Gold Coast faster rail, which is something that those opposite could never deliver. They say, 'Get on with the job.' Last week, I was pleased to join the member for Bonney and the member for Theodore to announce that we are awarding a contract to get on with the job of delivering the Logan to Gold Coast faster rail project. It is a project that they spoke about but which we are delivering.

Those opposite play games when it comes to the Olympics and they play games when it comes to infrastructure here in Queensland. Those opposite did nothing for three years and seven months. We had three years and seven months of talkfests and of ill-fated plans like QSAC. QSAC would have resulted in a four-kilometre long traffic jam of buses. That is their legacy.

We are focused on getting on with the job. Let's look at some of the infrastructure projects that are captured in this plan. The Tiaro bypass in the member for Maryborough's electorate is much needed. Too many Queenslanders have lost their lives on the Bruce Highway at Tiaro. We will deliver the bypass to support the games, and we will deliver it before 2032. We are getting on with the job of delivering the Coomera Connector project, which they hopelessly mismanaged from the start. We are delivering it. In my part of the world, Labor cut the Mooloolah River interchange and we will deliver it prior to 2032 because that is what Sunshine Coast residents deserve. That is what Sunshine Coast residents want to see with the Olympics. Labor promised that they would deliver transport and infrastructure upgrades for all Queenslanders and they delivered none. None—not one.

We are focused with getting on with the job and we will deliver those much needed transport infrastructure projects right across the state, whether it is in Rocky, in Townsville, in Cairns, in Maryborough, on the Sunshine Coast, on the Gold Coast or here in Brissie. We are getting on with the job.

Let's look at the Wave project. We will deliver a public transport capability all the way to the Sunshine Coast airport. That has never even been countenanced by those opposite. They could not build heavy rail all the way to Birtinya. They could not do it. They do not like it. We will deliver a mass transit solution all the way to the Sunshine Coast airport. I know my community and they are incredibly thankful that we are getting on with the job after a decade of Labor's failure. We had a generation of Labor's failure. Those opposite should hang their heads in shame. We are getting on with the job because those opposite could not do it because they are not up to it.

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