



Speech By
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 **Mr LEE** (Hervey Bay—LNP) (9.21 pm): It was the poet Kipling who coined the phrase 'fill the unforgiving minute with 60 seconds worth of distance run'. As members of parliament, we do not have a minute to waste and we are accountable to our electorates for the diligent expression of our incumbency. I am privileged to be part of a Crisafulli government that is serving and delivering for the Hervey Bay community. It is a fresh start for Hervey Bay and Queensland, so here is a snapshot of what is happening in my electorate.

We are delivering 18 units for seniors social housing on Torquay Road; 26 supported units for the homeless in Rose Street; \$1.5 million as part of the Residential Activation Fund to construct 73 apartments in Hoadley Street; instigating the Fraser Coast Integrated Transport Strategy; \$190,000 for LED night lights at the Bombers AFL Norm McLean Oval; \$25,000 for the purchase of a heat-sealing machine at the Meals on Wheels Fraser Community; \$100,000 to replace the roof, external guttering and downpipes at the Bayside Transformations drug and alcohol recovery centre; a new \$2.6 million QPSW 12-metre vessel, the *Bunbee*, to patrol waters from Double Island Point to Baffle Creek; a new MRI machine for the Hervey Bay Hospital following a petition signed by 6,782 people in our community; the construction under our Hospital Rescue Plan of 10 ICU beds, 25 general medical beds, 182 car parks and a state-of-the-art helipad—and this comes after Labor's \$56 million capital cost blowout and false representations of a \$60 million multistorey car park; a reduction of the speed limit on Booral Road from 80 kilometres to 60 kilometres per hour to improve traffic and pedestrian safety; \$300,000 for the Galangoor Aboriginal corporation to address target 14 of the National Agreement on Closing the Gap; and \$1.17 million for the Fraser Coast Turtle Rehabilitation and Research Centre, with more than 1,400 turtles having been rescued on the Fraser Coast over the past two years and more than 300 needing specialist care at the nearest rehabilitation facility on the Sunshine Coast.

I will continue to persuasively advocate for a new fire and rescue station and a pontoon at River Heads after the former Labor member for Hervey Bay deceptively and misleadingly claimed to my community that both projects were budgeted. In closing, I will continue to fill the unforgiving minute with 60 seconds worth of distance run. Hervey Bay is well recognised as a rapidly growing community, and I will continue to persuasively advocate for fit-for-purpose infrastructure and services that meet the existing and future interests of my Hervey Bay community.