



Speech By  
**Hon. Glenn Butcher**


**MEMBER FOR GLADSTONE**

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 **Hon. GJ BUTCHER** (Gladstone—ALP) (9.00 pm): Wednesday, 15 October 2025 will forever be a tragic day in Gladstone's history when we lost three beautiful souls in a house fire. The Saturday just gone was a time for the Gladstone community to come together at Barney Point Beach, Yallarm, to be with their family, their friends and the wider community to share their stories, smiles and memories while remembering Jordana, Jordan and Chazz. The gentle sounds of the waves at Barney Point Beach set the tone for what was a deeply moving and heartfelt gathering. It was more than a memorial; it was a moment of togetherness.

The morning was made even more special as two cultures came together, walking side by side on a shared journey of healing. The beach, a place of deep significance for the Gooreng Gooreng people in Gladstone, provided the perfect setting—a site of healing, reflection and unity. It was heartwarming to see so many people from all walks of life standing together on that beach, holding space for one another in both grief and gratitude. There were tears, yes, but there was also warmth, laughter and a quiet strength that radiated throughout the whole crowd on the morning. Moments like this remind us why the Gladstone community is so special. In times of heartbreak, we do not turn away; we turn towards each other. That spirit of compassion and resilience is what binds us all. It continues to make Gladstone a great place—a strong, caring and connected place to live.

I want to extend a heartfelt thankyou to everyone who helped make the morning a possibility. To the organisers, to the elders, to the families and to all those who came along to pay their respects and lend their support. As the local member, I am so proud of Gladstone. I am grateful to represent people I call my friends in a community that leads itself with kindness. We stand together in loss and we walk together to heal. To the families: I am here for you. I am here to support you through this very tough, unimaginable time for you all. Rest in peace, Jordana, Jordan and Chazz.