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Baby Give Back

 **Mr CRANDON** (Coomera—LNP) (2.16 pm): For the first time in more than 40 years I have been shopping for nappies. I know what many members will be thinking, but you are wrong if you think they were for my great-granddaughter. Many of you would have seen the photos of my great-granddaughter. I am not going to be tabling the photos but feel free to come over and take a closer look.

Those nappies were not for my great-granddaughter. I had no idea about the range of nappies available today. Back in our day, there was one choice: terry towelling and Napisan. Who remembers Napisan from all those years ago? It is still available today on the market. The modern age has brought size options and male and female options as well as traditional types and pull-up types. It is just amazing. I must say that I was confused and I had to phone a friend to get some feedback on what I should be buying. We settled on buying three different sizes in both male and female options, just for the interest of members.

What was the shopping trip all about? It was a very good cause, I can assure you. We donated those nappies, and on 4 September I visited Baby Give Back in the member for Burleigh's electorate. It is a wonderful volunteer organisation that I and my office have supported since 2018 when they first kicked off. Founder and CEO Carly Fradgley and the team at Baby Give Back do an amazing job supporting young mums and vulnerable families right across this state. Volunteers sort and pack essentials with care and dignity. May I say that the boxes look small but you can just imagine how many pieces of small clothing can go in them. There is \$200 worth of clothing in each one of those boxes. Carly said they have a huge number of volunteers, many of whom were previously supported by Baby Give Back and are now giving back by volunteering. They are so well organised and set up, with a great flow through their facilities. It is worth visiting just to see how professional they are. As I mentioned earlier, they are distributing care packages right across Queensland. This is an incredible community effort giving more than clothes; they are giving hope to so many in our community.