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Dear Susan

You would be well aware that in July last year, \$20 million was made available by the Federal LNP Government to upgrade Bribie Island Road. This funding was specifically earmarked for congestion busting and safety improvements for this vital major connecting road.

Since this announcement was made during the Longman By-Election, the Palaszczuk Labor Government has failed to do its part in securing this funding and getting into play to fix Bribie Island Road. Late last year, your Labor colleague, the State Minister for Transport and Main Roads, Mark Bailey, issued a media release claiming that the Federal Government had 'deserted' Pumicestone in direct reference to this funding. There is and has never been any truth to that claim.

This funding is set out clearly in the Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2018-19 that was published in December last year by the Honourable Josh Frydenberg MP and Senator the Honourable Mathias Cormann. This document is published for the benefit of all honourable members, including yourself, and clearly states on page 204: "\$33.5 million for priority road works in Queensland, including \$20.0 million for Bribie Island Road".

There can be no denying of this funding by the State Labor Government any longer. It is available, it is sitting ready and waiting in Canberra, yet nothing has progressed at a State level to move forward on obtaining this funding through standard jurisdictional processes.

As the Federal Member for Longman, to which the Bribie Island Road falls within, I am surprised that to date you have not publically questioned the State's lack of action in doing their part to secure this funding. I can assure you this is not going unnoticed in my electorate.

Today I am calling on you to stand up and step in to fix Bribie Island Road. I am asking you to pick up the phone to your Labor colleague, Minister Bailey, demand that the necessary paper work be completed for this funding and not accept any excuses as to why progress of such an important issue for our community is being delayed.

I look forward to receiving your support on this important issue.

Yours sincerely



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