



Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports and
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Mr Neil Laurie
The Clerk of the Parliament
Parliament House
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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition number 2664-16 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Matt McEachan MP, Member for Redlands, on 9 May 2017 about flashing school lights at Macleay Island State School.

The flashing school zone signs program is part of the Palaszczuk Government's commitment to reducing the burden of road trauma on our communities. Nothing is more important than the safety of the people who travel on our state's vast road network.

The safety of children at schools across our state is a high priority, with the Palaszczuk Government allocating approximately \$12 million in the 2015-16 budget for the installation of flashing school zone signs at an additional 300 school zones during 2015-18.

Schools are selected for the flashing school zone signs program based on a detailed risk analysis carried out by the Department of Transport and Main Roads of all school zones in Queensland. Input provided by schools, communities, councillors and Members of Parliament is also considered. Priority is given to school zones with a crash history, a high level of vehicle and pedestrian traffic, higher speed limits or visibility problems.

I thank the petitioners for bringing this matter to my attention. They should be assured that the school zone at Macleay Island State School, along with all the school zones in Queensland, will be assessed during future phases of the flashing school zone signs program. The 2017-18 program will be released in the coming months.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Bailey". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

MARK BAILEY MP
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