



Hon Peter Lawlor MP

Member for Southport

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**Queensland
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Minister for Tourism and Fair Trading

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Mr Neil Laurie
The Clerk of Parliament
Queensland Parliamentary Service
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Dear Mr Laurie

Thank you for your letter of 29 October 2010 about e-petition number 1537-10 received by the Queensland Legislative Assembly on 28 October 2010. The principal petitioner is Mr Ahmed El Safty of 43 Goodwin Terrace, Burleigh Heads who wishes to clarify the trading hours associated with an application for a liquor licence for the Burleigh Beach House and requests the Queensland Legislative Assembly note the petitioners' support for approval of the application.

I can confirm an application by the licensee of Point Break Oceanfront Bar & Grill, Burleigh Heads to include the rooftop as part of the restaurant's licensed area has recently been advertised as part of the community consultation process outlined in the *Liquor Act 1992*. A number of objections have been received in response to the advertising of the application.

Mr El Safty states the Office of Liquor and Gaming Regulation (OLGR) incorrectly advised the local Member of Parliament and others in the community that proposed trading hours were 10am to 12 midnight daily rather than the intended 10am to 10pm, Sunday to Thursday and 10am to 12 midnight, Friday and Saturday.

I am advised by OLGR the local Member of Parliament, the Queensland Police Service and the Gold Coast City Council were informed that ordinary trading hours of 10am to 12 midnight daily were proposed as the applicant had not specified any lesser hours on the application.

However, advice was subsequently received from the applicant that the proposed trading hours were 10am to 10pm, Sunday to Thursday and 10am to 12 midnight, Friday and Saturday and the public advertising of the application reflected these trading hours.

I am further advised the application cannot be progressed until such time as confirmation is received from the local authority that the business proposed to be carried out by the applicant is a permitted use under the relevant planning scheme.

The petitioners' support for this proposal is noted and I can assure stakeholders all relevant information, including the issues raised by both the petitioners and objectors, will be carefully considered by the chief executive in assessing the merits of the application.

Thank you for bringing this matter to my attention.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Peter Lawlor', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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