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## ADJOURNMENT

### Cleveland Electorate, Cleveland-Redland Bay Road

 **Dr ROBINSON** (Cleveland—LNP) (5.19 pm): Cleveland-Redland Bay Road is a significant arterial road in the Redland City region and a road that needs an upgrade urgently. The road connects the northern and southern-most ends of the Redlands, running from the Cleveland electorate to the Redlands electorate, including the suburbs of Cleveland, Thornlands, Victoria Point and Redland Bay.

The section of the road that is most important to the residents of the Cleveland electorate is the section that runs through Thornlands from South Street to Beveridge Road. In the past, certain sections of the road were duplicated by state governments, especially at particular intersections. More recently, there have been some new housing developments along the road and the developers have contributed to the road duplication in those areas. But even with the government and developers' contributions to the road, several single-lane sections of the road remain.

A few months ago Lawrence Springborg visited the Redlands area. During the trip, he joined Matt McEachan, the member for Redlands, and me at Cleveland-Redland Bay Road at one of the Thornlands sections where the road narrows. While we were inspecting the road at the narrowing section a local resident came out to talk with us. She pointed out the issue of congestion and safety. In her case, owing to the road narrowing outside her property, she told us that her car had been run into before as she turned into her driveway. Others have also expressed such safety concerns. I thank the opposition leader for taking the time and for his interest in the issues affecting those residents.

In recent weeks I have met with a Cleveland local, John Wilson, at his request to look at his situation along the same road. He owns a house there, which also has a dangerous situation around it. He expressed concerns that, when his son tries to pull up in his truck, it takes a long time to find a break in the traffic to be able to negotiate the driveway and it is quite dangerous now. John was so concerned that he sponsored a petition calling on the Queensland government to duplicate the remaining single-lane sections of Cleveland-Redland Bay Road. We also set up a petition through John that asks every Redland citizen to sign the online petition at the Queensland parliament website and, in so doing, to join John and me in the campaign to have this road upgraded so that Cleveland and the broader Redland City does not grind to a halt in peak times in the next few years. The petition focuses on certain sections of the road that still need upgrading.

I acknowledge the work of my colleague Matt McEachan, who also has a petition circulating using a particular postcard around shops at Victoria Point and elsewhere. If people see it, I ask them to please sign it. I thank John and other residents who are keen on the upgrade to this road to occur. We are getting reports of more congestion and accidents along that single-lane section. Today, it was good to talk to Minister Mark Bailey about it briefly. I certainly welcome him to come and have a look at the road with the aim to upgrading it soon.