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Mr Neil Laurie The Clerk of the Parliament Queensland Parliamentary Service Parliament House George Street BRISBANE Qld 4000

Dear Mr Laurie

Thank you for your letter dated 18 February 2016 about petition number 2502-15 requesting a 24 hour police presence at the Police Beat Shopfront at the Robina Town Centre.

In order to address the issues raised in the petition, I sought advice from the Queensland Police Service (QPS). I acknowledge that there is significant population growth and infrastructure development in and around the Robina Hospital. There are currently two police stations in close proximity to the Robina Hospital. The Mudgeeraba Station is approximately 1.8km west of the hospital and the Robina Station is located approximately 3.7km south of the hospital site. Both of these stations operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Other policing resources are available in the area, with an office of the Railway Squad located at the nearby Robina Train Station, a School Based Police Officer allocated to the Robina State High School, opposite the hospital, and the Rapid Action and Patrol Group being based in the adjacent suburb of Varsity Lakes. These resources are in addition to the officers tasked to duties at the Robina Town Centre Police Beat Shopfront, which operates across the key trading hours of the shopping centre.

Any calls for service relating to the hospital, or other locations, are dealt with in accordance with the QPS priority policing model which means that, in a high priority situation, any available officer can be tasked to respond.

The specific allocation of police resources is determined by the Commissioner following a detailed assessment of area growth, crime and safety issues, calls for service, new or emerging issues and facility requirements.

The QPS is constantly reviewing the options available to ensure the best possible service is provided to the communities of Queensland, including those in the Robina area.

If you require further information, Ms Ellen McIntyre, Chief of Staff, is available on telephone (07) 3035 8300.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

The Honourable Bill Byrne MP

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