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Mr Neil Laurie The Clerk of the Parliament Parliament House George Street BRISBANE QLD 4000

Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition 3896-23, lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Trevor Watts MP, Member for Toowoomba North on 22 August 2023 about conducting a traffic safety assessment of the Toowoomba Christian College (TCC).

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) met with TCC on site to discuss its concerns with safety at the college. During the meeting, TMR advised there are areas inside the college property that are contributing to traffic congestion on connecting roads, both at the beginning and end of the school day. TMR confirmed that any improvements to the college access would need to be undertaken at the college's expense.

TCC is permitted to undertake a full traffic assessment of its internal campus—and the roads connecting the college—to ascertain the most beneficial traffic management plan to suit the college's needs. Once a traffic assessment has been completed, TMR will be available to comment on the report to assist the college in developing a satisfactory solution to TCC's traffic congestion and safety concerns.

The Palaszczuk Government is delivering its eighth record transport and roads infrastructure program in a row, as detailed in the *Queensland Transport and Roads Investment Program* 2023–24 to 2026–27, which outlines \$32.1 billion in investment over the next four years and is estimated to support an average of 25,200 direct jobs over the life of the program. Of this, \$820 million is committed across TMR's Darling Downs District, supporting an average of 830 direct jobs over the life of the program.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

MARK BAILEY MP

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