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## ADJOURNMENT

### Moggill Electorate; Federal Election

 **Dr ROWAN** (Moggill—LNP) (6.17 pm): We are less than a month away from the 2019 Queensland state budget and, as hardworking residents and families in the electorate of Moggill have seen over previous years, often very little or in fact nothing of substance is allocated by this Labor government. We have traffic congestion, overcrowding in schools, higher cost-of-living pressures and a failed South East Queensland Regional Plan under this state Labor government which is leading to overdevelopment in the electorate of Moggill and, more broadly, the western suburbs of Brisbane. Residents in the electorate of Moggill are growing tired of this Labor government, a government that continually and actively goes out of its way to not invest in infrastructure and services in the electorate of Moggill and, again more broadly, across the western suburbs of Brisbane. Labor refuses to invest in local traffic congestion-busting infrastructure and is more than happy for motorists and public transport users to sit idle in traffic along Moggill Road. It is simply not good enough for this to continue.

Labor refuses to invest in our local schools. There is overcrowding in local schools. The ageing Kenmore State High School hall needs to be upgraded. We need additional library facilities, and classrooms are urgently needed. More bathroom and toilet facilities at Moggill State School must be a priority and we need parking solutions at Pullenvale State School, just to name a few.

The Moggill electorate is also suffering because of the Labor government's shocking track record when it comes to economic mismanagement in Queensland. The unemployment rate is the second worst in the country. Cost-of-living pressures have skyrocketed. There is also Labor's five new taxes, which are ripping \$2.2 billion out of the Queensland economy.

There are also many crises under this government. There is the health system crisis in relation to ambulance ramping, bed block, longer waiting lists and the disgraceful renaming of the Lady Cilento Children's Hospital. There is the youth justice crisis, with children being held in watch houses for excessive periods. It has really become a horror show, with sleep deprivation and long periods of incarceration being called out by human rights groups and the Office of the Public Guardian. Ministers do not want to be responsible, let alone accountable, for this situation in Queensland. We also have 'rail fail', the child safety system crisis—the list goes on and on.

Can members imagine the national disaster it would be if Labor were elected federally this Saturday? There will be union chaos, economic mismanagement, more taxes, higher debt and fewer jobs. Only a Morrison LNP federal government can build a stronger economy and secure our future. The federal Liberal-National candidate for Ryan, Julian Simmonds, has the capacity to be an outstanding representative in Canberra. This was clearly evident at the candidates forum that was held last week in Kenmore. He has already promised \$25 million for upgrading the Indooroopilly roundabout, \$12.5 million for upgrading the Kenmore roundabout and \$1.5 million for a Kenmore community hub. What does Labor have? Labor has nothing to offer but \$387 billion in new taxes including a retiree tax. Vote LNP this Saturday and ensure the re-election of the Morrison federal coalition government.