Dear Fellow Queenslanders,

This State Budget demonstrates the Government’s commitment to growing our economy, rebuilding Queensland, and making communities more resilient for the future.

The Newman Government is unashamedly pro-growth. We are continuing the task to repair the State’s finances – a task made even more difficult after the January 2013 natural disasters and the loss of revenue.

The Budget strikes the right balance between stabilising debt and investing in better quality services. We are investing heavily in giving children a better education through our Great Teachers = Great Results plan, injecting record funding into healthcare, law and order, and increasing funding for people with disabilities and their carers.

With floods and cyclones battering communities year after year, we are determined not just to rebuild Queensland, but to increase our resilience to the natural disasters we know are inevitable.

This Budget is our commitment to fix the State’s finances and grow a stronger economy, so that we remain a great State with great opportunities for all.

Hon Tim Nicholls MP
Treasurer and Minister for Trade

STATEWIDE HIGHLIGHTS

- **Community Services**: $8.8 billion
- **Health**: up 4.5% to $12.3 billion
- **Education**: up 6.6% to $11.4 billion
- **Transport**: $5.5 billion

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$97.7 million
for local government recovery and reconstruction projects in partnership with the Australian Government.

$62.1 million
towards the new $1.433 billion Queensland Children’s Hospital and $80 million to the Hospital Academic and Research Centre to attract child health specialists.

$330 million
towards the new $9.4 million to redevelop and replace ambulance stations at Spring Hill and Cleveland.

$8.2 million
for acquiring and building community-based housing.

$68.4 million
of $168.6 million for a new rail track between Lawnton and Petrie stations, due for completion in December 2016.

$54.4 million
of $128.4 million, in conjunction with the Brisbane City Council, for roads over the rail line at Telegraph Road, Bracken Ridge and Robinson Road, Geebung.

$44.5 million
of a $65 million upgrade to the Wardell Street and Samford Road intersection at Enoggera.

$19.5 million
of $33 million for cell upgrades at Arthur Gorrie Correctional Centre.

$13.1 million
to expand and improve social housing across the Brisbane region.

$42.4 million
for acquiring and building community-based housing.

$5 million
to progress planning and detailed design of the upgrade, to three lanes, of the Ipswich Motorway, between Rocklea and Darra.

$3 million
over three years towards research to better understand the Brisbane River under different flooding scenarios.

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