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

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TOWNSVILLE

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$7.3 million

to schools as Year 7 joins high school in 2015.

$500,000

of $1.5 million to enhance facilities at Paluma Environmental Education Centre.

$840,000

to relocate prep spaces at Currajong State School.

$4.2 million

over three years to continue replacing a Water Police patrol catamaran in Townsville by 30 June 2015.

$15.9 million

to continue expanding the Cleveland Youth Detention Centre in Townsville.

$33.7 million

of $50 million to realign the Bruce Highway between Ayr and Townsville, in partnership with the Australian Government.

$24 million

for flood mitigation at Blakey’s Crossing.

$12.5 million

to lengthen and deepen Townsville’s Ocean Terminal.

$5 million

to upgrade the Burdekin Falls Dam Spillway.

$4.2 million

over three years to continue replacing a Water Police patrol catamaran in Townsville by 30 June 2015.

$205.2 million

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

$732,000

for a joint Queensland and Australian Government project to develop irrigated agriculture opportunities in the Flinders and Gilbert River catchments.

$840,000

to relocate prep spaces at Currajong State School.

$12.5 million

to lengthen and deepen Townsville’s Ocean Terminal.

$880,000

for activities under the Reef Water Quality Protection Plan 2009, in partnership with the Australian Government.

$89.3 million

to continue the Townsville Hospital Redevelopment in partnership with the Australian Government.

$2.7 million

to continue the infrastructure rectification project at Charters Towers Hospital.

$2.2 million

to continue the infrastructure improvement and upgrade of Ayr Hospital facilities.

$7.3 million

to schools as Year 7 joins high school in 2015.

$900,000

to develop the Upper Ross River Community Centre.

$901,000

under the Public Library Grant Scheme for library resources throughout Queensland.

$181,900

for the Get in the Game initiative to help sport and recreation organisations develop facilities to support active club membership.

$75,000

to start replacing the auxiliary fire and rescue station at Ingham.

$24.2 million

to expand and improve social housing.

$12.2 million

to continue developing a government office building at Flinders Street, expanding Government services in Townsville.