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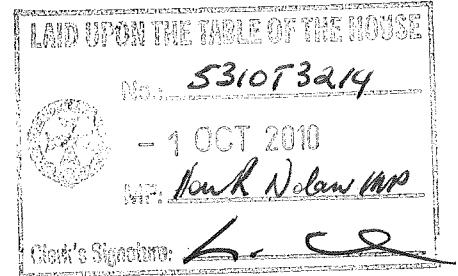
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Mr Neil Laurie
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Minister for Transport



Dear Mr Laurie *Neil*

I refer to petition number 1518-10 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Ms Di Farmer MP, Member for Bulimba, on 2 September 2010 about a request for a lift to be installed at Morningside rail station.

The Queensland Government has recently announced a \$200 million allocation to the rail network to undertake works on almost one-third of rail stations in South East Queensland.

An upgrade of Morningside rail station, including improved access, has been measured against other public transport infrastructure needs across South East Queensland within the TransLink Transit Authority's current 10 year planning horizon. Projects of this nature are implemented in order of priority and depend on funding to proceed to construction phases.

As Morningside rail station provides ramp access, it is currently more accessible than rail stations with stair access only, and therefore not the highest immediate priority for lift installation.

Morningside rail station has been nominated to be upgraded in 2010-11 under the Rail Station Renovation Program, with rail station condition assessments currently being undertaken. Commuters will benefit from new seating, passenger information screens, new signage, toilet upgrades, painting and cleaning (as required) as part of this upgrade.

TransLink is currently finalising the program and timing for these works, with the schedule to be determined by early October 2010.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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