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Member's Name: ANDREW POWELL MP

Electorate: GLASS HOUSE

Party: LNP

I'm committed to the Sunshine Coast region because, let's face it, it's the best place in Queensland to live and work. And I'm determined, with your help, to keep it that way. It's why I live here with my wife Taryn and our five children and why I've worked hard over the past eight and a half years as your member of parliament delivering for our amazing communities.

Why am I running again? Well, in short, I hate leaving anything half done.

I originally sought your vote to serve as the Member for Glass House because of an increasing frustration with how our taxes were being spent, how government policy was being developed and delivered, and a sense that the Glass House electorate was missing out.

Together, we've achieved a lot over the past eight years. Improvements such as:

- new traffic lights at Reed Street, Bowen Road and Steve Irwin Way, Glasshouse Mountains;
- a new concrete bridge over the Mary River at Conondale;
- improved local frontline services including a new police station at Maleny; additional police on the beat in Woodford, Palmwoods and Maleny; the new Sunshine Coast University Public Hospital, and while in government reductions in dental and surgery waiting lists;
- increased financial support for local schools, sporting and community groups; and
- the installation of flashing school zone safety lights at many local schools.

But, with your help, I want to:

- help grow local jobs and drive down the cost of living on things like electricity and rego;
- get the North Coast Rail duplication going again a project the LNP has committed to delivering;
- contribute to and work with Council to deliver a new Indoor Aquatic Centre for Maleny, along with a safer "Drop n Go" option for Maleny State School;
- upgrade the "goat track" that is the Maleny-Kenilworth Road;
- provide the Mooloolah Valley Community Centre with a long term lease so they can expand their amazing services another commitment the LNP has already given;
- install flashing school zone safety lights at Peachester and Glasshouse Mountains State Schools again, already promised should the LNP win government;
- improve the intersection at the Beerwah State School; and
- keep attracting financial support for our schools, sporting and community groups.

The job's not finished. I've listened to you, understand what needs to be done and am keen as ever to keep on delivering for our communities to build a better Glass House.