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## **Petition backs Lauga's health call**

Scores of market goers at Emu Park on Sunday have backed Brittany Lauga's call for the Prime Minister to properly fund Australia's health system.

The Member for Keppel and Assistant Education Minister said she was pleased that nearly 100 people signed her petition which backs the Palaszczuk Government's call to Scott Morrison.

"Despite health ministers from across the country and across the political divide pleading with the Morrison Government to properly fund Australia's public hospitals - and ensure patients waiting for NDIS and aged care places were not stuck in wards - nothing had happened.

"Every state and territory across the nation is experiencing pressures and have been for some time," she said.

"It's not just me saying that, it's every state and territory health minister.

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“And I’m pleased with the public support which I will take to State Parliament next week.

“Last month I signed a letter, along with many other MPs, asking the Commonwealth to meet previous requests.”

Ms Lauga also welcomed the support of the Australian Medical Association which has backed the Queensland Government’s call for more funding for public hospitals.

She said health ministers from Australia’s eight jurisdictions have asked for immediate additional funding from the federal government in a bid to inject more resources into public hospitals as the country reopens.

Ms Lauga said the strain due to the current Covid-19 demands has added to increased hospital activity, and Queensland requires additional Commonwealth funding to support the pressures on our health systems.

“It’s time for the Morrison Government to stop playing politics in the lead-up to an election and start properly funding Australia’s health system.”

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