# **Media Release**

The Hon Melissa Horne MP

Minister for Casino, Gaming and Liquor Regulation Minister for Local Government Minister for Ports and Freight Minister for Roads and Road Safety



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## LANDMARKS LIGHT UP AS HUNDREDS WALK FOR ROAD SAFETY

Some of Victoria's most iconic buildings will be illuminated yellow this coming week, in memory and support of those who have been impacted by road trauma.

Minister for Roads and Road Safety Melissa Horne today joined hundreds of Victorians who gathered at Melbourne's Albert Park at the Amber Community's annual *Shine a Light on Road Safety* walk.

Throughout the week, iconic buildings will be lit up in the campaign's trademark yellow – including Melbourne Town Hall, Flinders Street Station, the Bolte Bridge, Box Hill Town Hall, the CityLink Sound Tube, and 101 Collins Street.

The campaign, which coincides with National Road Safety Week, comes off the back of a tragic start to 2024 with 96 lives lost on Victorian roads so far this year.

The Allan Labor Government is working with the Federal Government to roll out vital safety upgrades across nearly 200 sites and routes across the state as part of a \$457 million Road Safety Program.

Amber Community, which is supported by the Transport Accident Commission (TAC), provides counselling and support services to more than 3000 Victorians affected by road trauma.

For more information on the Shine a Light on Road Safety campaign and how to get involved, visit the Amber Community website at <a href="mailto:getinvolved.ambercommunity.org.au/event/shine-a-light">getinvolved.ambercommunity.org.au/event/shine-a-light</a>.

### Quotes attributable to Minister for Roads and Road Safety Melissa Horne

"Every life lost on our roads is one too many and as we come into National Road Safety Week, I urge everyone to take extra care behind the wheel so Victorians can get back home to their families safely."

#### **Quotes attributable to Transport Accident Commission CEO Tracey Slatter**

"No one should have their life impacted by road trauma and the TAC is proud to support Shine a Light on Road Safety, and National Road Safety Week, to inspire Victorians to look out for each other and drive safely."

## **Quote attributable to Amber Community CEO Bernadette Nugent**

"Every life is precious, and every serious injury is avoidable – we unite to challenge complacency about road safety, and aim is to make a difference in reducing the impact that road trauma has on our community."

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