

PREGNANCY PROBLEM HOUSE — NOLLAMARA

Statement by Member for Morley

MR I.M. BRITZA (Morley) [12.51 pm]: I share with members some comments about an organisation in my electorate that I feel is worthy of honourable mention in this place today. I commend the work of the Pregnancy Problem House in Nollamara. This service gives assistance to women who have found themselves pregnant and do not want an abortion or who have felt threatened, vulnerable or intimidated by abortion operators. This service specialises in crisis pregnancy solutions and does all it can to take the stress and confusion away from those who sometimes feel trapped as a result of being pregnant. There is no judgement, there are no politics and no money is made from the choices these women make. All services are free, caring and confidential. There are free medical-quality pregnancy tests. Above all, each person is given an explanation of every option available to them. This house provides a place for women to process everything, think through their alternatives, feel safe and share what is on their mind. Their goal is to provide a safe environment to assist and educate women during and after their pregnancy. There is advice and support for the fathers, too! Pregnancy Problem House exists to provide hope for the future, encouragement and practical support during this difficult time. It is staffed partly by volunteers, and I think that this organisation needs to be commended. I am honoured to have this service in my electorate.