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VTA congratulates re-elected Andrews Labor Government

The Victorian Transport Association has congratulated the Andrews Labor Government on its historic re-election at the weekend, with an increased majority.

Over the campaign, Premier Andrews and his team offered a positive vision for the people of Victoria, with issues of significance to the VTA and its members such as infrastructure, transport, congestion and economic prosperity, front and centre.

The VTA had endorsed several infrastructure initiatives announced during the campaign, including the extension of the widely successful Level Crossing Removal Program, which is easing congestion throughout Melbourne, as well as the commitment to put the North East Link project out to market today.

VTA CEO Peter Anderson said the association looked forward to working with the Premier and his team on a raft of issues that will improve conditions for freight and logistics operators throughout the state, including heavy vehicle licensing, training, and infrastructure.

“We have enjoyed an effective working relationship with the Premier and his senior ministers during their first term of government and we offer our sincere congratulations on being re-elected at the weekend,” Mr Anderson said.

“The Andrews Labor Government has listened to the needs of the freight industry, as evidenced by the North East Link being prioritised over other road projects, as well as the \$4 million in funding the Government has earmarked for training new heavy vehicle drivers over the next four years, which will help to address driver shortages that are impacting transport operators.

“We look forward to building on the constructive relationship we have with the Premier and his team, for the betterment of VTA members and transport operators right across Victoria,” he said.

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