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To whom it may concern

My name is Brendan Roberts and I am currently the Liberal Councillor for East Ward (Coogee) in Randwick City Council, and a former Deputy Mayor. I was also the Liberal Candidate for Maroubra at the 2015 NSW Election.

During this state campaign, I approached Katherine and asked her to be my Campaign Manager. Being from Wentworth she didn't need to accept, she didn't even know me at the time, but she did accept and all of us down in Maroubra were very grateful for her support.

We kept Labor's Michael Daley confined to the boundaries of Maroubra throughout the campaign, we manned every booth, and I like to think we did our part in successfully defending Coogee. Mr Daley got the lowest primary vote of all his Labor mates who stood for re-election, and we Liberals got a higher primary vote in Maroubra than Labor's primary vote in Coogee.

These positive results were in no small part the result of Katherine's efforts. Our campaign was an effective one, kept on track by Katherine's tireless, talented and focussed commitment within a tough electoral environment for the Liberals. Without her invaluable and selfless involvement, Maroubra may have fallen out of touch for potential future Liberal tilts at the seat.

She then backed it up in 2016 supporting Dr Michael Feneley by managing his Kingsford Smith campaign, also keeping that seat in touch for future campaigns.

With the unprecedented events leading up to this bi-election (and General Election to follow), Wentworth must now be considered a battleground electorate. As such a candidate with proven campaign experience in difficult situations is a must. Katherine O'Regan has that invaluable experience.

Coupled with her own proven track record as a former elected Liberal representative on Woollahra Council, her public and private sector experience, her long-standing local Liberal Party branch membership record, and brilliant support for grass roots Liberals both within and outside Wentworth, Katherine O'Regan I feel would make an exceptional local representative for the people of Wentworth.

I highly commend Katherine for your consideration in what is an incredibly important ballot, one that will showcase to the nation our response to the recent party ructions.

Kind regards

Cr Brendan Roberts