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## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I understand that Katherine O'Regan is contesting pre-selection to represent the Liberal Party of Australia in the forthcoming Wentworth by-election.

I have known Katherine O'Regan for around two decades. She has vast experience in both the Commonwealth and State governments (as a ministerial adviser), in big business (covering the fields of health, banking and construction), in small business (initially in sport and more recently in a not-for-profit organisation) and as an elected office holder in local government.

Katherine O'Regan has had a long term commitment to the Liberal Party and understands the need for the party to accommodate what John Howard has referred to as the liberal and conservative traditions in the party founded by Robert Menzies.

I have heard Katherine O'Regan give public addresses and watched her occasional appearances on ABC TV's *The Drum* and on Sky News. She presents very well – in an articulate and considered way. Moreover, she is a fine writer as her article in *The Australian* last week attests.

Katherine O'Regan is a valued member of The Sydney Institute's board and her ideas and contacts are much appreciated at meetings. Also, I note that she is excellent at person to person communication – and is both approachable and a good listener.

I believe that Katherine O'Regan would make an excellent Liberal Party candidate for Wentworth.

Yours sincerely



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