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To Whom It May Concern

I met Katherine O' Regan in 2004 when we were both preselected as Liberal endorsed candidates for Woollahra Council. Since then she has been an outstanding community identity in many different areas.

Katherine is a long-time local resident and a successful businesswoman and is well known throughout the area through her various roles and her community support.

Importantly throughout that time Katherine has demonstrated she is a long-standing Liberal who stands for Liberal values. This was proven when she served a term as a Woollahra Liberal Councillor for Cooper Ward 2012-2017, and also her time as Deputy Mayor 2012-2013. During this time, she served her community with distinction.

Katherine is President of Sydney East Business Chamber (formerly Double Bay Chamber of Commerce) and under her leadership it has become the leading Chamber in the Wentworth area, recently winning the Chamber of the Year award from the NSW Business Chamber. In my role as a Councillor I have worked with several Chambers of Commerce, particularly in Double Bay, and the current Chamber under Katherine's leadership is by far the most successful. She has demonstrated her support for small businesses and introduced some important initiatives to enhance Double Bay.

Katherine has supported important community issues, in particular, raising awareness of mental health. She is a regular participant in the Eastern Sydney Suicide Prevention annual awareness walk. Katherine has also shown her support for fundraising for Breast Cancer by attending the annual Pink Sunday at National Council of Jewish Women.

Katherine O' Regan has demonstrated she is an outstanding community representative and I am pleased to provide this reference for her pre-selection for Wentworth.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading 'Isabelle Shapiro'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Isabelle' written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name 'Shapiro'.

Isabelle Shapiro OAM
Liberal Councillor for Woollahra, Bellevue Hill Ward.