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A climate law like the Zero Carbon Act is important because...	As a parasitic species living on Earth, I hope we are smart enough to not destroy our host. Intelligent parasites do not drive their hosts to the point where parasitic life is no longer possible! This law is essential for New Zealand and human survival on Earth, as it provides an example for other nations to follow. When large countries are too slow to change, small countries must pick up their slack and show that there is a carbon free future possible, provided the laws are put in place to make the change happen.
Long-term target	I support the most ambitious target of reducing total greenhouse gases to net zero by 2050. I also support taking a science-based approach to ensure our efforts to reduce emissions are as impactful as possible: we should aim for negative levels of long-lived gases, while reducing short-lived gases to sustainable levels. This target should be reached by reducing our own emissions and not by using international carbon credits.
Climate Commission	I support the establishment of an independent Climate Commission that is made up of experts and provides advice, but does not make final decisions.
Adaptation	I support a plan for adaptation being included in the Zero Carbon Act.
Climate justice	A Zero Carbon Act must be just and fair in that it honours Te Tiriti o Waitangi; ensures a just transition for workers and communities; and avoids passing on the costs to future generations.
Further comments	I fully support this Act with all my heart, and believe it is the best way forward for New Zealand. Its ramifications would provide for more kiwi ingenuity to proliferate throughout the world, and NZ will be seen as a prime example of intelligent law design to combat the greatest threat humanity has ever faced.

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