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<b>A climate law like the Zero Carbon Act is important because...</b>	<p>I'm 39. My generation has failed. We've failed to curb global climate change. We've failed to make a commitment to our children to leave the world a better place than we were born into. We still have a chance to correct our mistakes and turn things around for the better. We must always strive to improve things for those less capable than ourselves. That will always be those that come after us.</p> <p>For every small piece of effort we put in now, they can reap a huge benefit from our dedication and commitment.</p>
<b>Long-term target</b>	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.
<b>Climate Commission</b>	I support the establishment of an independent Climate Commission that is made up of experts and provides advice, but does not make final decisions.
<b>Adaptation</b>	I support a plan for adaptation being included in the Zero Carbon Act.
<b>Climate justice</b>	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.
<b>Further comments</b>	Thank you for taking this seriously and doing your best given difficult circumstances.