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### A climate law like the Zero Carbon Act is important because...

The effects of climate change are being felt more and more. We need to take measures now before it is too late, and the Zero Carbon Act is an important step in this area. Although a small country, every bit helps. We have access to natural energy sources and new technology means non-renewable resources are not essential anymore. I want my children to grow up healthy and able to enjoy the beauty and relatively clean environment that my generation and those before me have been blessed with. I also don't want our greed to have a negative effect on those living in poorer nations around the world.

### Long-term target

I support the target of reducing total greenhouse gases to zero by 2050 (albeit recognising this is a big challenge), with efforts to reduce our carbon emissions as much as possible immediately. I also support taking a science-based approach to ensure our efforts to reduce emissions are as effective as possible: we should aim for negative levels of long-lived gases, while reducing short-lived gases to sustainable levels. I strongly believe 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

Thank you for your time and consideration of this matter.