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Today I will be nominating for ALP preselection in the Federal seat of Lalor.

Lalor has a proud Labor tradition, being the home of Australia's first female Prime Minister, the Hon. Julia Gillard MP, whom I greatly respect and admire.

It is also the fastest growing part of Melbourne – a young, multicultural, aspiring community in need of services to match its rapid expansion. Improving quality and access to services such as education, health and transport infrastructure is what the Labor Party does best and what I would advocate for.

My first priority is to continue to engage with the people of Lalor and to hear what they want their local Member of Parliament to fight for.

I know I will be a strong advocate because that is what I do day-in and day-out as a diplomat. Serving Australia first in Solomon Islands and then in Papua New Guinea, I am an experienced advocate who can get results. And that is what matters to the people of Lalor: advocating for opportunity.

As a young Australian I believe I can make a difference not just to the constituents of Lalor but for young Australians everywhere. I want to see greater diversity in our Parliament. I am a new Member of the ALP who has not followed a traditional pathway but who is ready to make a contribution.

I have always been an active participant in my community – whether that was Adelaide, Brazil, Canberra, Honiara or Port Moresby. I also have a record of community service, particularly through Rotary. Now I am ready to build a life in Lalor and to be a part of the community, advocating for Labor values.

I want to deliver a fairer, stronger and more prosperous Australia and that is why I hope to be preselected and to have the privilege to represent the people of Lalor.

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