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Dear Candidate

Australia benefits from more than 13,600 school; public; TAFE; university and special libraries, serving some 11 million library users in communities; education; government; research; health; law and business locations right across the country.

By supporting libraries, you are helping to:

- Give every child a reading start
- Ensure that students have access to the information they need and the ability to distinguish genuine facts from fake news
- Provide people on low incomes with free internet access through public computers and with the skills to engage in our increasingly digital society
- Strengthen Australia's research infrastructure, giving academics and researchers access to essential data

And, of course, government departments rely on well-resourced library and information services run by qualified library professionals as the basis for evidence-based policy.

When you are elected, you can help us do our work even better by promoting:

- Further law reform to make our copyright regime fit for the digital age
- Open access for government-funded research
- Investment in public library buildings
- Support for qualified library staff in all education settings

Please let me know your position on these points and anything else that relates to library and information services. Our full 2019 agenda can be found here bit.ly/2JP3KVf.

Kind regards