

**MEDIA RELEASE** 

## Statement in support of Curtin Independent

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By Anthony Maslin (Maz) Curtin Independent community spokesperson.

"When a world-shattering event happens to you, you work out what matters and what your real purpose is. For my wife Rin and I, it's doing something good for the planet, or something good for people and community"

Meaningful work is the only work worth doing. Rin does this through art, at The Artspace Collective in Scarborough<sup>1</sup> and I do it through Wide Open Agriculture<sup>2</sup> a \$100Million regenerative food and agriculture company I co-founded.

And I am also very pleased to stand behind Curtin Independent. I believe we have a problem, here in Curtin and also in Canberra. And I believe that in our community we have talented, intelligent, experienced people and families whose voices are not being heard, and who deserve better.

I think the vast majority of Australians have lost faith in or are apathetic when it comes to politics. Other than our work, we care about our great climate, the beach, our kids, our communities.

When we do tune in, we are disappointed. Destructive party politics are not working. Our politicians are not representing us. Our local MP in Curtin was backed by "The Clan" and votes the same way as Barnaby Joyce. And now, continued apathy threatens the things we care about.

As a Curtin resident, I'm happy to act as a spokesperson and start a conversation that will identify an independent candidate driving **real climate action** together with a **healthy**, **innovative economy**. We are looking for a respected community candidate who is **economically responsible** and **socially progressive**. A representative who is **positive**, **inclusive** and represents what people really feel and believe in Curtin.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>https://theartspacecollective.com/</u>

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It's time to stand up and make a difference. We want to find an independent candidate for Curtin who will hear our voice, and represent us as the community.

With the balance of power in the next federal parliament in question, the opportunity for difference and to effect change to the current system is huge. Across Australia, independent voices are being raised and they deserve to be heard. And I'm going to encourage everyone I know to take a few moments to think about what's important to them, and the need to act now, so that our kids and our future are looked after.

If you're in Curtin, or if you just care about a positive alternative to toxic politics, I urge you to support Curtin Independent, and make your voice heard, too.

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