

Declaration by Electoral Commission That Nicola Valentine Willis is Elected a Member of Parliament

WHEREAS—

- A. The Electoral Commission has received a warrant from Her Excellency the Administrator of the Government, to supply a member of Parliament to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Steven Leonard Joyce pursuant to section 55(1)(f) of the Electoral Act 1993;
- B. Under section 137(2) of the Electoral Act 1993, the Electoral Commission has determined that, of the unelected candidates on the party list of The New Zealand National Party, Nicola Valentine Willis stood highest in the order of preference on that list;
- C. Under section 137(3) of that Act, the Electoral Commission has asked the party secretary of The New Zealand National Party whether Nicola Valentine Willis remains a member of that party and the Commission has been informed that she remains a member of that party;
- D. Under section 137(4) of that Act, the Electoral Commission has asked Nicola Valentine Willis whether she is willing to be a member of Parliament and she has indicated her willingness to be a member of Parliament.

THEREFORE, pursuant to section 137(4) of that Act, the Electoral Commission declares that

Nicola Valentine Willis

is elected as a member of Parliament by publication of this declaration in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

Dated at Wellington this 3rd day of April 2018.

ALICIA WRIGHT, Chief Electoral Officer.