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To whom it may concern

**LETTER OF SUPPORT
SOUTH COAST YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM**

I am pleased to be able to provide a Letter of Support for the South Coast Youth Leadership Forum.

The South Coast Youth Leadership Forum has been running in the Shoalhaven Region for the past three years. Over this time 180 local youth have been given jobs skills training to assist them in either employment and or additional education activities.

The Forum teaches skills such as values, teamwork, leadership, stereotyping, volunteering in the community, and how to work on global issues disadvantaging the community at a local level.

These are all important skills required as many disadvantaged youth find it difficult to enter employment in regional areas such as the South Coast.

The forum will again run in October this year.

I strongly support the work the committee does in bringing this event and International speakers to the South Coast.

Kind regards

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Member for Kiama
Parliamentary Secretary for the Illawarra and South Coast
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