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[Name of Candidate]

[Address]

Dear [Name of Candidate]

Congratulations on being selected as a candidate for the state election on 11 March this year.

As a voter in your electorate I believe that it is important for me to understand your position on the key issues effecting my quality of life.

While health, education and policing feature regularly in the list of issues I am also particularly interested in the benefits that a vibrant arts and culture bring to a community.

I have been fortunate to experience this benefit first hand.

*[GIVE EXAMPLE]*

Others have been less fortunate since the government support of the arts has diminished over the last fifteen years.  This has had significant impact on the community’s access to cultural activities and the development of our own creative resources. Arts funding has never been more important.

Can you advise me how you will promote and support an arts policy for your party that will help Western Australians to engage with this state’s rich culture; a culture that has been created by the many people living among us.

I believe that if we are to leave a legacy of strong and healthy communities for our children we need to have a strong and vibrant arts sector.

I look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely