

# Statutory Declaration

OATHS ACT 1900, NSW, EIGHTH SCHEDULE

To the residents and voters of "Wollongong" and Ward 1, Wollongong City Council Local Government elections.

I, Gregory Alan Petty of 130 Walker Street, Helensburgh NSW 2508 do solemnly and sincerely declare that: -

- 1 I am 56 years of age,
- 2 I have lodged applications for the position of Lord Mayor of Wollongong City Council.
- 12 I am currently renewing my Tax Agent Registration,
- 13 I hold a Bachelor of Business Studies (with credit) from the New South Wales Institute of Technology (now UTS), and
- 14 I have been a small and medium business owner for over 30 years,
- 15 **I will act with integrity:** To be ethical, honest and law-abiding. I will seek to meet all the mandatory requirements presented to me, along with the high expectations of the residents who I will have the privilege to serve. I cannot be corrupted or inappropriately influenced. And wherever I identify the possibility of corruption or inappropriate influence, I will blow the whistle.
- 16 **I will be accountable:** To be transparent in my decision-making and to disclose all that I should. To justify my decisions to residents.
- 17 **I will put the community first:** My city is more than buildings. It is people, communities, businesses and a natural environment. As such, I will consider the physical, social, economic and environmental aspects of my municipality. The community's interests will be foremost in my decision making, ahead of my own interests and those of any political party or group to which I belong or with which I am affiliated. I will make special consideration for the vulnerable in our midst.
- 18 **I will consult:** The best decisions are informed decisions. I commit to making myself available to those groups and individuals with a relevant view. I will listen. I will take their views into account.
- 19 **I will be ambassador:** I acknowledge my city has been shamed by the actions of the previous council. I will seek to restore confidence in the council decision-making process. I will act respectfully and with dignity within the council chamber, among council staff and in the community. I will be a leader fit for our great city and seek to promote my city and its interests.
- 20 And if I fail substantially, I will graciously stand down and give someone else who can uphold these values the opportunity instead.

and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of the Oaths Act 1900.

Declared at Wollongong in New South Wales, on 25th August 2011.

Before Me:

Justice of the Peace

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*Raymond Wilfred Robinson*

Signature of declarant

*Gregory Alan Petty*