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Patron's Message

Reflecting on the year that has passed, I continue to feel pride in the considerable service to our community made by members and supporters of the Epilepsy Waikato Charitable Trust and, in particular, by our indefatigable Epilepsy Advisor, Maria Lowe. It is also a pleasure to welcome our new administrator, Margaret Paine, to the trust and I thank her for the considerable energy and efficiency she has already devoted to her new tasks.

I regret that my Parliamentary commitments in Wellington prevent me from attending the 2018 Annual General Meeting of the trust and wish to convey my gratitude to Trust Chair David Lowe, Deputy Chair and Funding Manager Jill Davies, and all Board Members for their service throughout another demanding year.

I echo David's tributes to our former secretary Ai-Ee Teo who served us so capably, and to our long-serving trustees Faith Gibbs and Cyril Markham whose tireless service over decades of active involvement are an inspiration to us all. Thank you so much Faith for your efforts as Funding Manager and Cyril for your years as Treasurer, and a warm welcome to our new trustees Bryce Hopkins and Emma McNeill.

I also warmly acknowledge all of our donors and sponsors for their essential support, and this year's "Epilepsy Hero" Antony Booker, who designed our welcoming and informative EWCT website. I was pleased to attend this year's mid-winter Christmas function at which the award was received on his behalf by his parents.

I send greetings and my thanks to all members who are present for your continuing dedication to supporting those who live with epilepsy in our region. You are some of the unsung heroes of our wonderful community, and I feel humbled to continue to work alongside you in my role as the Trust's Patron.

Yours sincerely

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