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Linda G. Simpson,
6 Croydon Rd,
New Lynn,
AUCKLAND 7

Dear Linda,

Thank you for your letter on the subject of home births and for the copy of the letter which you sent to the Minister of Health.

I fully support the right of women to have the option for having a delivery at home. Currently our Women's Committee within the Labour caucus is studying the matter and we will be making representations to the Minister of Health concerning the direction in which the Maternity Services Committee appears to be going.

I have discussed your letter with the Member of Parliament for New Lynn, Mr Jonathan Hunt and he will be replying to you also.

I have spoken at length with Joan Donley, a midwife in my electorate and she has supplied me with a great deal of information on the subject.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Helen Clark'.

Helen Clark
MP for Mt Albert