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GRANT HARDWICK ANNOUNCES INDEPENDENT CANDIDACY FOR RIVERINA

Grant Hardwick has officially announced his candidacy as an independent for the Federal Division of Riverina in the upcoming election, offering a strong, motivated, community-driven alternative to party politics.

"The people of the Riverina deserve a representative who puts their needs first, serving them with integrity and accountability. Our region needs a voice that listens, understands, and fights for the unique challenges we face. It's time to put people before profits, people before politics and ensure our communities are at the heart of every decision."

A long-time resident, tradesman, and small business owner, Hardwick has deep roots in the community. Working full-time in the trades sector, he understands the challenges faced by everyday workers and families. As an elected Councillor he recognises the importance of practical, common-sense decision-making. His experience in business and regional tourism has given him insight into the key issues affecting the electorate, including infrastructure, agriculture, water security, healthcare, and regional job creation.

Hardwick's campaign will focus on:

- People Before Party Politics, it's not about "sitting on the fence" but rather voting on issues that are directly impacting Riverina residents and being fully informed on those issues.
- Advocacy For Farmers, from water rights, greater pest control, to ensuring prime agricultural land is valued, safe and secure for generations.
- **Investment in Infrastructure** to ensure our roads, rail, and communications networks keep up with ever growing needs.
- Focus on Regional Healthcare, incentivising healthcare professionals to work in the region will ensure timely and accessible care for residents.
- Access to Education in regional areas like the Riverina is essential to ensure young people have the same opportunities as those in cities.

 Reliable Telecommunications Services across the Riverina is essential for businesses, education, healthcare, and emergency response.

"I'm running because I believe the Riverina deserves better, I will work for our communities, not for a political party line. I'm ready to listen, work hard, and stand up for what matters to us all. Let's build a stronger Riverina, together." Hardwick encourages voters to get involved, ask questions, and help shape a campaign that truly represents the Riverina.

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