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Dear Colleague,

I'm writing to let you know I'm standing for Labour's NEC and to ask for your support and your CLP's nomination.

A little bit about me:

- **Labour Party** member since age 16
- a founder and Vice Chair of **Sikhs for Labour**
- Trustee & Director of anti-racism/fascism charity & campaign **HOPE not Hate**
- Secretary of my **Unite the Union** Branch
- active school **Governor**
- Board member of **West Midlands Strategic Police & Crime Board** appointed by the Labour PCC
- Central Council member of **Socialist Health Association** and Treasurer of the West Midlands SHA



I'm a committed campaigner and I'm Labour through and through!

Why am I standing?

Having lost our fourth general election, Labour needs to urgently do away with the naked factionalism that allowed the party to become characterised by constant calls for de-selections, central control of candidate selections, antisemitism and intolerance of debate.

This NEC by-election gives members an opportunity to improve the diversity and representation of member reps on Labour's most important decision-making body and to return to the 'broad-church' Labour Party that wins elections. We have to renew, reconnect and rebuild trust with voters who left us and this is an opportunity to broaden the NEC to represent all traditions of the Labour Party to start that process.

It is vital the NEC looks more like the communities we represent and the country we aspire to govern. If elected, I would be the first Sikh to be elected to Labour's NEC and, coming from the Midlands, would be from a region crucial to Labour winning a general election.

I will work with the new Leader to face the many challenges of winning the next general election including the imminent outcome of the EHRC investigation. I will bring with me my background of a long-standing and dedicated party activist, a passionate equalities campaigner and my independent minded commitment to a member-led democratic Labour party.

Nominations for the two NEC by-elections are now open and close on Friday 14th February. I'd appreciate if you could help ensure your CLP considers my request for nomination and I'd love to hear from you and to visit, campaign and speak with members - please do get in touch!

Yours sincerely,

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