

**ANTHONY ALBANESE MP**  
**Federal Member For Grayndler**  
Shadow Minister for The Environment and Heritage  
Shadow Minister for Water  
Deputy Manager of Opposition Business

**Mr Nirmal Paul**  
President  
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**Dear Mr Paul**

Please find attached the motion that Mr Albanese will be moving when Parliament resumes in the last week of November.

I regret that I have still been unable to find a federal grant to assist with funding the monument to mother language in Ashfield park, however I will let you know immediately if anything comes up.

If there is anything further we can do, please do not hesitate to contact me on 95643588.

Yours sincerely,

**Lisa Golden**  
Office of Anthony Albanese MP  
Federal Member for Grayndler

### **The Attachment**

**To move- That this house:**

1. recognise that half of the world's languages are in danger of extinction, including many Australian aboriginal languages;
2. acknowledges the many different linguistic communities present in the electorate of Grayndler and the significant contribution each of these communities makes to the cultural and linguistic diversity of Grayndler;
3. recognises that linguistic diversity is a key element of cultural diversity, and intercultural understanding and harmony;
4. acknowledges the important role that preserving one's mother languages plays in maintaining expressive, communicative & cultural traditions in our culturally diverse nation;
5. recognises that 21st February has been designated by UNESCO as International Mother Language Day;
6. congratulations all communities based organisations for promoting linguistic and cultural diversity in Australia and internationally:

**Moved: Hon. Anthony Albanese MP**  
**Seconded: Hon. Peter Garret MP**