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Community Recognition Statement

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ZALIA CAMPBELL

Ms SONIA HORNERY (Wallsend):

At just 15 years of age Zalia Campbell of New Lambton is a bonafide tech founder and 'teenpreneur.'

Zalia was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes as a young child and there is no cure or prevention for it.

In 2016, at the tender age of ten, Zalia came up with the idea of using technology to help others living with diabetes.

Like many other Type 1 diabetics, Zalia has to rely on insulin injections every day as her body can't produce enough. But if levels become low she can be left feeling dizzy and fatigued with blurred vision.

After five years of fundraising and thanks to many generous, big-hearted people, a bit of research, many developer discussions, design and testing, the Diabetes Emergency App has come to life.

The app is designed for diabetics to sound an alarm when they begin to feel ill which will signal emergency contacts and give them their GPS location.

It also alarms people nearby and lists steps they should take to help the person in need, including calling the ambulance or giving them a glucose gel.

Congratulations Zalia on your work.