

PARLIAMENT OF NEW SOUTH WALES LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTY-SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

Community Recognition Statement

26 November 2021

CALLAGHAN COLLEGE WARATAH – PARLI-FLICKS BEST REGIONAL AWARD

Ms SONIA HORNERY (Wallsend):

2021 marked the advent of the International Democracy Day Short Film Award, Parli-Flicks.

Students all across the state were encouraged to participate by making a short film that explored their understanding of Australian democracy.

Four students from the Waratah Technology Campus of Callaghan College worked together to produce an entry.

Joshua Sutton, Francesca Mcrae, Finlay Keegan, and Samuel Williams were nominated as the finalists in the Best Regional Short Film category but sadly were unable to attend the planned awards night in Parliament on September 15 due to the COVID-19 lockdown.

Engaging with all members of the public, even those who cannot yet vote, is essential to the workings of democracy.

This competition is an excellent way to engage young people and the students of Callaghan College will hopefully in turn have engaged others through their production.

I would like to congratulate Joshua, Francesca, Finlay, and Samuel on their achievement, and look forward to seeing this competition continue in future years.