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Community Recognition Statement

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JESS HILL – STELLA PRIZE

Ms SONIA HORNER (Wallsend) :

I congratulate Jess Hill on winning the 2020 Stella Prize for her excellent book, *See What You Made Me Do*.

The Stella Prize is a major literary award celebrating Australian women's writing and champions cultural change.

The prize is named after one of Australia's iconic female authors, Stella Maria Sarah 'Miles' Franklin, and was awarded for the first time in 2013.

The Stella Prize's 2020 online announcement was hosted by Patricia Karvelas and featured former Prime Minister Hon. Julia Gillard AC.

See What You Made Me Do was the result of a four-year investigation into domestic violence in Australia, and offered a searing, heartfelt look into this societal scourge. I congratulate Jess on her achievement.

I thank her for working so hard to help bring this problem further into the light.

I would also like to thank the Stella Prize board, including chair Seri Renkin, treasurer Dianne Cuka, secretary Keren Murray, and members Eleanor Jackson, Paula McLean, Elizabeth Shaw, Lisa Cotton and Clair Wivell Plater, and the organisation's staff, including executive director Jocelyn Booton, schools manager Lenny Robinson, and program manager Ana Boado.