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CELEBRITY CANDIDATE MISSES THE MARK

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“Simon Sheikh arrived in the ACT a little over a month ago and today was announced as the Greens preselected candidate for the Senate seat – it’s no surprise that local Greens party members are upset”, Senator Humphries said.

“One Greens party member described Mr Sheikh as a ‘celebrity candidate’ and I think most Canberrans would agree with that assessment.

“To the Greens, Canberra is just another notch in the belt”.

Senator Humphries says the Greens are out of touch with reality and clearly don’t understand the pressures on Canberrans.

“By preselecting someone who has lived here for a month and a bit, the Greens have shown just how out of touch they are when it comes to the real issues facing Canberra households and businesses.

“The Greens will again throw resources, money and a parachuted candidate into the ACT campaign to attempt to clock up another seat in federal parliament.

“I’m sure that Canberrans will see this move for exactly what it is”, Senator Humphries concluded.