Script translation log:

Candidate:	Melissa Lowe
Party:	Independent
ICV Translator:	Jenna

Original Text Sent by Candidate to I Can Vote:

1.
I would like you to vote 1 for Melissa Lowe
I am standing as an Independent candidate.

Until recently, I was the Manager of Student Equity at Swinburne University.
I have a Master's in Public Policy and Governance from the University of Melbourne.

2.
I am standing for the Legislative Assembly (lower house) in the Victorian Parliament, for the seat of Hawthorn.

I have lived in the area for 17 years and raised my two boys here, volunteering with their local schools and sporting clubs for many years.
I have worked at Swinburne University and before that Deakin University and before that at other universities in Victoria.

3.

I believe that education is the pathway to wellbeing and prosperity. That's why I've spent my working life ensuring all young people have the chance to access both tertiary and higher education.

I have always advocated for the environment and climate action. I think it's terrible to see how little progress there has been on protecting our environment (including our native forests and the animals that live in them) over the years despite the overwhelming desire for action from the community.

My main priorities are:

   o Faster climate action, better protection of our environment and improving the uptake of electric vehicles and rooftop solar
   o Holding the major parties to account on integrity and compelling them to independently fund and strengthen our anti-corruption commission
   o Listening to and supporting small business to develop a smart economy
   o Reducing the cost of living and improving housing affordability

- o Improving the quality of education and making it more accessible
- o Working for equality, respect, and inclusion within our diverse communities
- o Improving working conditions and reducing waiting times and increasing access to healthcare, aged care, dentistry and mental health services.

1st Draft Text sent to Candidate from I Can Vote:

I am Melissa Lowe and I want you to vote for me.
I am an independent candidate. This means that I do not belong to a party.

I want to be elected to the Legislative Assembly. This is also called the Lower House of Parliament. I am in the district of Hawthorn.

I have lived in the Hawthorn area for 17 years. I have raised my two sons here. I have volunteered at their schools and their sports clubs for a long time.

I went to Melbourne University to study Public Policy and Governance. This means I have studied how to work with government and make decisions that are good for everyone in the community. I have worked at Swinburne University and other Universities in Victoria.

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Education is important for all people. I have spent my life making sure all young people have the chance to study after high school. Some students find it difficult to study because they have problems with their health, their money, or other things happening in their lives. I used to work as a Manager at Swinburne University. My job was to make sure the University helped students work around these problems so they could keep studying.

If I am elected, there are a few things I want to do.

I believe we need to do more to protect the environment. We put a lot of rubbish and pollution into the air, land, and sea. This hurts the environment. It also changes our weather and makes life worse for everyone. We call these changes 'climate change'. I do not think the government is doing enough to protect our environment or to stop climate change.

I want to make sure the government does more to protect our environment and to stop climate change. I want more people to be able to get electric cars and solar panels for their home. We also need to protect our Australian plants and animals.

Pause

In Victoria we have an organisation called an anti-corruption commission. This organisation makes sure the government, local councils, police, and law courts are doing the right thing. I want to make sure this organisation is strong and runs well.

It can be hard for small businesses to get helpful tools. I want to support small businesses to get and use new technology that will help them.

It is expensive to buy everyday items. I want to make it cheaper to buy things. It should also be cheaper to rent or buy your own home.

Our schools, TAFEs, and Universities are good, but they can be better for our students. I also want education to be more accessible to all people.

I want our community in Victoria to be more inclusive of all people. I want people to be treated the same as everybody else.

People have to wait a long time to see a doctor, a dentist, or a mental health professional. It also takes a long time to get into aged care. I want to make sure that people do not have to wait very long to get the help they need.

Edits requested by Candidate 1:

No Requests
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2nd Draft Text sent to Candidate from I Can Vote:

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Final Text approved by Candidate:

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