



## **Renee Lloyd-Parangi**



“Tēnā koutou katoa, ko Renee tōku ingoa, nō Te Tii ahau, engari i tipu ake au i Tāmaki Makaurau. I’m a young wāhine Māori of Ngāpuhi descent and a taura at the University of Auckland, studying a Conjoint Law and Arts degree. My interests include Kapa Haka, dance, Te Reo Māori, music, and politics. I applied to be a Youth MP because I’m passionate about uplifting the voices of our rangatahi, especially Māori youth in urban communities like Tāmaki Makaurau. I want to represent our people, carry their whakaaro into decision-making spaces, and advocate for the revitalisation of Te Reo Māori and the preservation of our culture. Many of our whānau continue to face disconnection from their cultural identity and a lack of access to essential resources – this needs to change. I’m committed to helping bridge cultural gaps and ensuring rangatahi voices are heard. He mana tō te rangatahi.”

**Selecting MP: Takutai Tash Kemp**

**Location: Auckland**