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To Whom It May Concern,

The University at Buffalo (UB) Experiential Learning Network (ELN) holds a greatly-valued collaborative relationship with Inkululeko. I am pleased to write this letter of support for such a worthy organization making positive change for South African youth in a critically important way.

ELN was first introduced to Inkululeko through a statewide global initiative (SUNY Global Commons) held in the summer of 2020. Upon connecting with Inkululeko, it became clear that we shared many of the same programmatic goals and values and were instantly captivated by their work. At the time, we were seeking opportunities for UB students to contribute their skills and talents through online experiential learning projects. Inkululeko has proven to be an ideal partner in this endeavor and our collaboration has been actively growing ever since.

ELN offers an innovative experiential learning model designed to provide UB students of all backgrounds and majors with real world, project-based opportunities. Since 2020, we have worked closely with Inkululeko to design projects around areas of need and synergy, such as virtual tutoring and marketing. Jason Torreano and the Inkululeko team have been pivotal in not only supporting student learning, but also in helping us to create authentic experiences with real impacts for all involved. Their tireless efforts, patience and flexibility remain unmatched no matter what obstacles they encounter. They overcome and grow stronger.

We look forward to continuing this partnership for years to come and fully support Jason Torreano in his efforts to secure funding and opportunities to support and grow Inkululeko. The work this organization has done is critically important and deserving of every opportunity to continue and expand. We and our students are happy to help build capacity and further the mission in any way we can.

Sincerely,



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