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To: Board of Directors, Open Space Authority

Subject: Letter of Support for CommUniverCity's Growing Sustainably Program

To whom it may concern:

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I reach out to you in an effort to show our support for CommUniverCity's Growing Sustainably grant application which includes activities that build a culture of wellness in our low-income elementary schools.

For a few years, Olinder Elementary has been participating in CommUniverCity's Garden Education and Cooking Matters projects, two projects that provide children a great way to learn beyond the classroom, understand more about where healthy foods come from, and the benefits of eating fresh, healthy foods. Additionally, Olinder Elementary has participated for over a year in CommUniverCity's Motor and Social Skills project, which promotes the development of physical and social skills in children of elementary school-age for the purpose of increasing physical activity and improving the school's social climate.

The benefits of building a culture of wellness in our school through CommUniverCity's expansion of the Growing Sustainably program will be great for our children, and the benefits will extend to their families as well. We look forward to a positive outcome in their efforts to secure a grant from Kaiser Permanente for their Growing Sustainably program.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'JR', is written over the printed name and title of the principal.

Jesus Radillo
Principal, Selma Olinder Elementary School