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To Who It May Concern,

I am writing this letter in support of the wonderful work that David Kibuuka has been doing through the Modern Batik Art Workshops that he has been offering to youth in Toronto in various high priority communities. David has just completed a series of workshops with the administrative support of JVS. David has been a wonderful person to partner with in this project. He is passionate about his art and genuinely excited about sharing his passion and talents with youth. There is never any question about David's work ethic, his commitment to what he is doing or his follow through. I know that young people really connect to someone who has something of value to offer – such a person has a natural authority that draws them in and keeps them coming back. David has that kind of quality and we see that the youth that participated in his workshops greatly benefited from the experience – not only learning new skills and producing beautiful work but also working alongside someone like David.

We feel that the quality of David's work, his past workshop success and the quality of work produced by his students and the fact some are going on to become trainers speaks to the value of the Modern Batik Art Workshops and their benefit to this community. We hope that David can continue to receive the funding necessary to continue his workshops so that more youth will be able to become involved.

At JVS, if the opportunity presented itself and the timing were right we would not hesitate from working with David again. We would also encourage any agencies or funders to work with David as we feel that he brings a level of talent, skill, passion and professionalism to his teaching that makes his Modern Batik Art Workshops a very valuable contribution to youth in our communities.

If you have any questions do not hesitate from contacting me.

Sincerely,

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