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LETTER OF SUPPORT

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TO: Michigan Municipal League Foundation
FROM: John Sullivan, Laurium Village Council President
RE: Bridge Builders Microgrants (Main Street) – Village of Laurium

As the Laurium Village Council President, one of my personal goals that is also shared by the village council as a whole is to bring art; culture; and beautification to our historic village. Our downtown area was once a bustling and vibrant mining community until the late 1960s. However, since the mines left our region, our community has taken a downward turn as far as maintaining its aesthetics and its vibrancy due to a lack of state shared revenue funding and a loss of local taxable properties. The village council, the village planning committee, and our village manager are in full support of local artists creating a beautiful and historical mural on the façade of our local village hall that ties in our history, culture, and roots. This will help propel our downtown and community into the future.

With help of local artists, we hope to tell a story of our past, where we are now, and our hopes for our future. Starting with the local village hall might also give inspiration to other local businesses in our downtown area to make strides to beautification of their own buildings and facades. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



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