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To Whom It May Concern:

I am pleased to endorse Rochester Institute of Technology's (RIT's) Sustainability Tracking Assessment and Rating System (STARS) Version 2.2 submission. Sustainability continues to be a strategic focus for our university. STARS has been a useful tool to identify ways for RIT to expand our sustainability efforts.

In 2018 RIT created a new position, Sustainability Initiatives Coordinator, to focus on amplifying and increasing our sustainability engagement opportunities. Since that time, several new programs have been established including:

- **Momentum II** - A partnership between RIT Sustainability and Center for Leadership and Civic Engagement, this eight-week class focuses on leadership for the Sustainable Development Goals. The program features speakers from the Rochester Community, systems thinking activities showing the interconnected nature of the UN Sustainable Development Goals, and leadership skills development.
- **Sustainability Ambassadors** - A team of student peer-to-peer educators with knowledge about the Sustainable Development Goals. The team of students develop programs to engage the RIT student community in sustainability practices.
- **"Equity, Sustainability, and the Environmental Movement"** - A workshop for faculty and staff offered through RIT's Center for Professional Development. This workshop fulfills one of the requirements for the "Cultural Humility Certificate."
- **Sustainable Office Certification** - Offices examine practices related to energy and water consumption, waste generation, purchasing practices, travel choices, and wellbeing.

I am pleased to note that many members of the RIT community have contributed to this report and our many sustainability initiatives.

Sincerely,

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President