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To Whom It May Concern:

I am honored to write to you today to briefly underscore the innovation and uniqueness of the “Farm and Fiber” collaboration between the University of Illinois’ Sustainable Student Farm and Fresh Press program. The Sustainable Student Farm has been a mainstay of our campus for years, and it currently provides our campus dining services with a significant portion of the vegetables featured in the residential dining halls.

The “Farm and Fiber” initiative is a unique synergy between Sustainable Student Farm and “Fresh Press,” a small on-campus printing studio using sustainably generated paper. Instead of leaving vacant space at the Farm’s site as lawn, agricultural fiber plants are grown for Fresh Press. Fresh Press converts these plants into paper for its printing, which not only demonstrates alternative methods to create paper but also takes land that would otherwise serve no immediate purpose and instead uses it to increase the University of Illinois’ carbon sequestration.

The Farm and Fiber collaboration is truly a unique and innovative addition to the University of Illinois’ sustainability initiatives. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 217/244-9342 or at kenfield@illinois.edu.

All My Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Micah Kenfield', written over a horizontal line.

Micah Kenfield
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