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To whom it may concern:

I affirm the contents of Johnson County community College's (JCCC) STARS Report are accurate to the best of my knowledge.

JCCC's STARS report demonstrates our commitment to integrating sustainability throughout our planning and administrative processes, campus operations, and academics. The report shows clear institutional progress since our first submission in 2014 and offers useful indications for future improvement.

Since our 2017 review, JCCC's work in Academics and Engagement continue to enhance our curricular and co-curricular offerings and have enriched our campus community. We have continued to contribute to both faculty and undergraduate sustainability research and to make progress towards our renewable energy and zero waste goals, all of which lessen negative effects on the environment.

The Center for Sustainability's Executive Director, Dr. Jay Antle, leads a team of five employees and nine student interns in their work serving JCCC's many sustainability efforts. Student voices are invaluable to the work we do as well, as our Student Sustainability Committee (SSC) allocates financial support to projects and programs of their choosing from the Sustainable Initiatives Fund. Our student-initiated \$1 credit hour fee ensures we serve students' interests in our sustainability efforts. The SSC makes many of JCCC's sustainability projects possible, including cultural events related to sustainability, compensating faculty for integrating sustainability into their classes, multiple energy efficiency investments, and unique student leadership programs.

Our STARS report illustrates the considerable advances JCCC has made in the past three years and offers many paths for continuous improvement as we ensure student and organizational preparation for a changed and rapidly changing world.

Sincerely,

Andy Bowne, Ed.D.
President