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Moose Hide Campaign Organizers,

Please accept this letter as indication of the intent of Queen's University to become an Ambassador Campus. Queen's University students, staff, and faculty across campus support the initiative and goals of the Moose Hide Campaign and take seriously the responsibility to ending gender-based violence across campus, in the local community, and across Turtle Island.

Following our event supporting the <u>Moose Hide Campaign in 2022</u>, many were inspired to continue their own education on ending gender-based violence as well as continuing the conversation on campus. Our 2022 campaign event was supported by Queen's University <u>Chancellor Murray Sinclair</u>, Principal Patrick Deane, and Elder Allen Doxtator along with others which raised more awareness among students, staff and faculty.

Across campus there are many initiatives that stand by the goals of the campaign, such as the <u>Gender-Based Violence Awareness & Bystander Intervention Program</u>. Completing the certificate program will build a student's awareness in: Anti-Oppression and Gender Based Violence, Consent Culture, Healthy Relationships, and Bystander Intervention. Students are also supported by <u>Sexual Violence Prevention</u> and <u>Response Services</u> that provides counselling, advocacy, and education. In particular they have worked to include Indigenous students in their programming by bringing in speakers who can speak to the intersections of gender-based violence and racism.

As an Ambassador Campus, there will be a collaborative effort across Queen's University to plan various educational events to increase awareness and keep the messaging and goals of the campaign at the forefront of the Gender-Based Violence work and conversation. An example is in April of 2023 we will be hosting artist Jaime Black to present the <u>REDress Project</u> across campus through an installation and speaker panel.

Our goal of hosting these events and information sessions is creating a safer and inclusive campus for all students. As stated on the Moose Hide Campaign website, no woman should be made to feel unsafe or experience abuse or violence on their university campus.

In peace and friendship,

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