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Dear UNESCO Secretariat,

In my capacity as Executive Director of the Al-Madinah Al-Munawwarah section of the National Association for Community Development, I formally support the dossier proposed by the Municipality of Al-Madinah Region, Saudi Arabia, to join the UNESCO Creative Cities Network as a creative city in the field of gastronomy.

The association was established in 2017 to contribute to overcoming challenges through community development in the Al-Madinah Al-Munawwarah region, the most important of which is the lack of job opportunities for young people of both genders. Since its inception, the Association took upon itself the mission of addressing the challenge of helping young people create innovative job opportunities according to an integrated business model.

The association operates as an entrepreneurial incubator to support and sponsor micro-enterprises, including culinary arts projects, to help prepare business plans and to provide technical and marketing consultancy. The association operates as a social investment incubator, by providing employment services and re-skilling education programs, as required by the labor market.

We fully support the dossier as prepared by Al-Madinah Al-Munawwarah in which we recognize that the inclusion of Al-Madinah city in the UCCN will provide a valuable opportunity for small local business owners in the field of culinary arts to thrive and succeed.

With kind regards.

Al-Madinah Al-Munawwarah National Association for Community Development

Executive Director

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