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To whom it may concern:

I am happy to offer a letter of support for the Anglican community of St. Jude's, Oakville, as they prepare to undergo a transformation in their parish kitchen.

As the Justice and Outreach Program Consultant for the Anglican Diocese of Niagara, I have been impressed for years by the ministries performed by this community in the area of food security. It was a privilege to work with their Justice and Servant Ministries in 2019, as they discerned the most crucial areas of need to address.

Food insecurity is deepening across this province and around the world, so it is important that St. Jude's has figured out a multitude of ways to respond to the hunger in their community in a way that accords dignity to the person while meeting the immediate needs.

With a renovated kitchen, St. Jude's will be able to reach so many more people and do the cooking in their own location. While they have always found a way partnering with others who had a fuller meal preparation area, this renovation will mean they can have better access to the things they need and prepare what they need with increased efficiency.

Thank you to the Ontario Trillium Foundation for the amazing support you offer to so many essential groups and initiatives across the province. I hope you will add St. Jude's, Oakville, to your list of successful grants and partnerships.

Yours Sincerely,

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