

January 27, 2025

Economic Development Administration 1244 Speer BLVD, Suite 431 Denver CO 80204

RE: Letter of Support for Weber State University's Wildcat MicroFund

Dear Economic Adjustment Assistance Program Reviewers:

This letter serves as the Business Education and Resource Center Inc. (BEAR Center) to express our support and commitment to providing an in-kind contribution to support the initiatives outlined by San Juan County in partnership with the Wildcat MicroFund.

As an organization committed to promoting entrepreneurship, economic growth, and educational advancement, we recognize the vital importance of initiatives that empower individuals and communities through business education and resource access. The proposed projects align perfectly with our mission and vision for sustainable economic development in the region.

Bear Center will contribute access to the La Sal and White Mesa Business Hubs, valued at \$21,000 for Year 1 (2025), Year 2 (2026), and Year 3 (2027). This will provide access to our business hub conference room and classrooms. This contribution is unencumbered and will support economic development activities as outlined in the partnership agreement.

Thank you for considering our input, and please do not hesitate to reach out if you require any further information or assistance.

Sincerely,

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