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Dear Denise

Letter of Support – Garma 2017

On behalf of the Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education, I am pleased to provide the Yothu Yindi Foundation with a letter supporting the annual 2017 Garma Festival.

Batchelor Institute is a regular attender of Garma. There are a number of leaders within and connected to our organization that are engaged in developing government and industry policy or have an interest that impacts the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

Garma offers a personal cultural experience where our delegates are able to engage, learn from each other and be immersed in the richness and strength of Yolngu culture.

Each year the Yothu Yindi Foundation delivers a professional and world class global event. We have been fortunate to witness the continuing growth and innovation of the Garma program scheduling and look forward to another inspiring, educating and entertaining four days come 4 – 7 August next year.

Our organisation is a proud supporter of Garma. We look forward to joining the Yolngu clans on their traditional ceremonial meeting ground at the 19th annual Garma event hosted by the Yothu Yindi Foundation.

Yours sincerely

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Chief Executive Officer