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To whom it may concern,

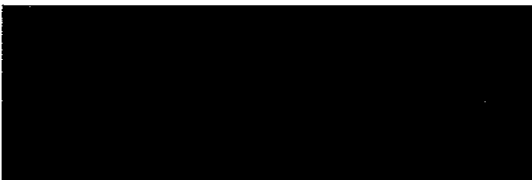
PROPERLY MADE SUBMISSION – APPLICATION REFERENCE: MCUI 2024_5698/1 – MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE (EDUCATIONAL ESTABLISHMENT) – UPPER DAINTREE

Please accept this written notice as a properly made submission in support of the proposed Educational Establishment development in the Upper Daintree (Council Ref: MCUI 2024_5698/1).

The grounds, facts and circumstances in substantiation of the submission are as follows:

- As I understand the proposed development is consistent with the purpose of the Qld Planning Act 2016, (which seeks to maintain '*the cultural, economic, physical and social wellbeing of people and communities*') and with the strategic intent of the Douglas planning scheme
- The intent of the development to improve the lives of young people at risk of being in breach of the law due to their childhood circumstances, by teaching them valuable skills, enabling them to earn a living, lead a safe, secure life and contribute positively to society
- The proposed development will offer the kind of support and rehabilitation needed for at risk youth across Australia and ought to be welcomed by all of us
- Jabalbina is therefore to be congratulated in proposing critical social infrastructure needed for the long-term wellbeing of the entire Douglas community by assisting at risk minors integrate into society rather than face custody. These are young people who need help, not incarceration which all evidence shows to be counterproductive
- 24-hour supervision will keep these young people safe, out of trouble and will be no risk to the local community

Regards,



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