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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:

- The proposed development is consistent with the purpose of the *Planning Act 2016*, which seeks to maintain 'the cultural, economic, physical and social wellbeing of people and communities', through establishment of a facility that will improve the lives of young people by providing alternative pathways and teaching life skills that will be reinvested in the community
- The proposed development is small-scale and suitable for the proposed location
- The proposed development will provide construction and operational employment opportunities for the community
- The proposed development keeps at-risk youth out of trouble and in a safe environment
- The proposed development is critical social infrastructure that is much needed in the Douglas Shire Council Local Government Area
- Jabalbina Yalanji Aboriginal Corporation is setting a standard in respect to the stewardship of the Traditional Owners of the land, the Kuku Yalanji people and ensuring that we see positive change in our community, for the betterment of future generations.

I recommend that Douglas Shire Council approve the proposed development.

Regards,



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