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**LETTER OF SUPPORT – Long Table**


To whom it may Concern,

I'm writing with regards to The House that Dan Built's application for project funding to support the development and presentation of 'the Long Table.' Penrith Performing & Visual Arts, through its theatre making program, Q Theatre, is proud to work alongside The House that Dan Built as a leading new arts company tackling innovative art form development as well as considered community engagement. Western Sydney has a rich diversity of contemporary theatre practice and a wealth of audiences that are currently under serviced. The House that Dan Built's project 'the Long Table' would expand our ability to work with our communities and deepen the trust we're actively building between audiences and artists. In order to deliver this project, Q Theatre can commit to the in-kind contributions of Venue Space across October 2020 at a value of \$12,000 and 25 hours of producing support at a value of \$1,250.

Q Theatre has evolved from the creative lineage of the Q Theatre Company and its more than fifty years of experience presenting and producing theatre. In its current form, Q Theatre seeks to bring leading theatre makers from across Australia to Western Sydney and facilitate collaborations with local, emerging and established talent. We champion processes that are centred and responsive to artistic leadership and the diverse tastes, imaginations and expectations of our audiences. The House that Dan Built and Q Theatre have already begun a dialogue between companies about how we can support one another to achieve shared objectives. I'm looking forward to continuing to strengthen this partnership and exploring how Q Theatre can continue to play a role in elevating the quality of work occurring in Western Sydney to work that is recognised as nationally and internationally significant. We see 'the Long Table' as a step in this direction.

If you have any questions regarding the details of the collaborations referenced here or this application, please feel free to give me a call or send me an email.

Yours sincerely,



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