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To Whom It May Concern,

**RE: KUWASHA DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL REFERENCE**

I am writing this letter as a reference for KUWASHA. This group approached me to act as a consultant of their proposed project in early March 2009.

The Village, Masurura, has a population of 4,055 people. The community faces many challenges, including: poverty; lack of water supply; poor farming methods; lack of a permanent power source; health care; education and illiteracy; and outdated farming methods. KUWASHA approached various members of the community to propose a lighting project which would act as a gateway to address many of the issues faced by our community, especially those related to health and education. KUWASHA's goal is to "light up" a communal area so that the benefit of light may be shared by the entire community.

Community members have a difficult time accessing kerosene. Most of them cannot afford the price of the fuel. Thus, they resort to using wood charcoal which causes environmental degradation. Most of our trees have also been cut down to be used as a source of energy and as a commercial good. In addition to environmental damage, burning kerosene and biomass can have severe effects on health (caused both by the fumes and the dimness of the light). It also decreases the amount of productive hours in the day for people; this has a negative effect on income levels and educational pursuits.

KUWASHA asked me to help them liaise with community representatives and members. I have also helped them locate a small community centre which can be lit up and used for the project. The Centre has about five rooms and one small conference hall that can take up to one hundred people. It was strategically chosen as it is accessible to all nine hamlets (communities) located in the Masurura Village. There are several other potential project locations that I have helped KUWASHA identify, including a school and a dispensary.

As mentioned before, Masurura faces many issues. I was glad to hear from KUWASHA that their mandate was not only to bring light to the community, but also to engage with the community in determining other areas where they might be of assistance. KUWASHA's intentions are to help the people of Masurura develop in a way that is specific to our needs, as determined by us. We appreciate their sincere approach.

Please take this letter as my recommendation and support for the KUWASHA project. I am most thankful to KUWASHA for showing interest and commitment to help my people in the District of my administration. I want to assure you that we will work together as a team to gather any information pertaining to the intended Project. You are most welcome.

With regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Saveli M. Maketta', written over a faint circular stamp.

Saveli M. Maketta  
**DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
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