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To Whom It May Concern:

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As the operators of Riverside, The Stand, and One Boulder - a multifaceted community hub serving Boulder's creative ecosystem for over 12 years - we enthusiastically endorse the Local Artist Network (LAN) initiative. Having hosted thousands of events ranging from poetry readings and live music to cultural fusion nights and community gatherings, we have unique insight into both the challenges and opportunities within Boulder's cultural landscape.

Our experience has shown that while Boulder possesses incredible creative energy, there are significant barriers to connecting artists with audiences and venues with patrons. The post-COVID environment has particularly highlighted the need for innovative solutions to event discovery and community engagement, which LAN directly addresses through its digital signage network, integrated ticketing, and streaming capabilities.

As venue operators, we're excited about LAN's ability to facilitate cross-venue collaboration and event coordination. Their smart display system would enhance our street presence while providing a dynamic platform for showcasing local artists. The multi-venue streaming capabilities would allow us to participate in coordinated cultural events across Boulder, while integration with platforms like Distributed Creatives would streamline our event management and expand our reach within the creative community.

What particularly impresses us about LAN is its holistic approach to community building. The platform's ability to facilitate direct artist support, enable cross-venue collaboration, and enhance audience engagement aligns perfectly with our own goals of fostering a more vibrant, interconnected community. We are committed to actively participating in the LAN network through multiple display installations, live event streaming, and cross-venue programming.

Based on our extensive experience in Boulder's cultural scene, we believe LAN represents a crucial step forward in addressing the challenges facing our creative community. The initiative's focus on technological innovation in service of community connection and cultural vitality makes it an essential addition to Boulder's cultural infrastructure. We strongly endorse LAN and look forward to being active participants in this exciting evolution of Boulder's cultural landscape.

Sincerely,



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I'm writing to throw my full support behind the Local Artist Network (LAN) project here in Boulder. As a founder of Vision Quest Brewery, opened in 2015, I've seen firsthand how Boulder's culture has evolved. It's gotten more difficult to attract business in the past couple years.

Since the pandemic, we've noticed younger folks just aren't getting out like they used to. Between crazy housing costs pushing locals out and the rest heading to Denver for their entertainment, it's getting harder to build the community vibe we love about Boulder. At Vision Quest, we've always been about more than just great beer – we host everything from live music and poetry readings to flea markets and electronic music shows. But getting the word out about these events? That's been a real challenge.

That's why I'm stoked about what LAN is bringing to the table. Their digital display network is exactly what we need to catch people's attention and let them know what's happening around town. The ability to stream events between venues and be part of coordinated event weekends across Boulder? That's huge for us. Plus, their QR code system means people can easily check out our events and menu – no more squinting at posters from across the street.

We're excited about this project. We're ready to set up displays in our space, join the multi-venue events, and be part of rebuilding that sense of community that makes Boulder special. The ticketing system and social app will make it so much easier for people to discover what's happening at Vision Quest and other spots around town.

We've been contributing to Boulder's cultural scene for years, and I can tell you – this is exactly the kind of boost our community needs. It's not just about helping individual businesses like ours; it's about making Boulder the kind of place where culture and creativity can thrive again.

Sincerely,
Adam Kandle
Owner, Vision Quest Brewery