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**REFERENCE LETTER FOR MR. EDWARD OLUTOMI OLUDARE**

I have known Mr. Edward Olutomi Oludare for over five years as an active member of Bariga local community area. He is an educationist, traditional musician and cultural design artist. He is involved in cultural education projects, community development initiatives, arts and culture social activist within his community constituency. He is passionate about promoting cultural heritage and community development through Yoruba arts culture.

Mr. Edward Olutomi Oludare teaches formal education in school curriculums and also informal education at the grassroots, with children from poor families who are underprivileged and belongs to a marginalized social class and minority ethnic group. His interactive programs combines educational, cultural and social activities, which includes using Yoruba traditional music, instruments, language, crafts, cultural history and heritage, His current project is titled “talking drums in the classroom: enhancing Yoruba language learning using an ancient tradition” The project aims to contribute to promoting language acquisition, cultural education, ethnical inclusivity, heritage and identity.

Mr. Edward Olutomi Oludare is applying for the Prince Claus Seed Awards 2023, and we believe that this fund will promote his art and cultural projects, benefit the community members and contribute to the development of Bariga local community development area. He is a dedicated cultural artist, responsible family man and a community builder and a peaceful member of his community. The local community builder and peaceful member of his community. The community governing council recognizes Mr. Edward Olutomi Oludare’s selfless community services through his artistic and cultural practices and therefore has no reservation in recommending him for your kind consideration. Please feel free to contact us for further information.

Yours sincerely

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