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Dears Sirs:

RE: Greenstone Gold Mines Hardrock Project Support

Greenstone Economic Development Corporation (GEDC) are pleased to provide this letter of support for the Greenstone Gold Mines Hardrock Project. The proposed mining development in Greenstone, Ontario will have a significant impact on our local and regional economy.

The Greenstone Gold Mines team continues to advance relationships with the Aboriginal communities, local residents, the Municipality of Greenstone, local and regional stakeholders, to ensure that their input is reflected in the Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Assessment. GEDC has greatly appreciated the number of opportunities to provide input and learn more about the Project during the Public Information Centre meetings and the discussions with the GGM team. Greenstone Gold Mines is committed to utilizing local suppliers and contractors and at full capacity the mine will potentially employ 450 people on average over the life of the mine of 15 years or more.

The GEDC Board of Directors and staff are supportive of this project and look forward to continuing to work with the GGM team in this opportunity for our communities and the Northwest region.

Yours Sincerely
<Original signed by>

Frank Hildebrandt
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