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To Whom it May Concern:

On behalf of the City of Fort Pierce, we are pleased to support the Lincoln Park Main Street Small Business Accelerator Program, an initiative that represents a meaningful investment in the economic vitality and long-term resilience of our community. The City of Fort Pierce and Lincoln Park Main Street have been strategic partners since its establishment in 2006; and have provided operational support.

Small businesses are the backbone of our local economy. They create jobs, foster innovation, and contribute to the unique character of our city. Programs like this accelerator are critical in providing entrepreneurs—especially those from underserved and underrepresented communities—with the tools, mentorship, and resources they need to succeed in an increasingly competitive marketplace.

The Lincoln Park Main Street has demonstrated a strong commitment to empowering local entrepreneurs through education, technical assistance, and access to capital. By equipping participants with practical business skills, strategic guidance, and valuable networks, this accelerator program will help transform promising ideas into sustainable enterprises.

The City recognizes the importance of fostering inclusive economic growth. This program aligns with our city's goals of supporting small business development, encouraging innovation, and expanding opportunities for all residents. We are confident that the impact of this accelerator will extend beyond individual businesses, strengthening our broader community and local economy.

We commend Lincoln Park Main Street for its leadership and vision, and strongly encourage stakeholders, partners, and funders to support this important initiative.

Sincerely,

Linda Hudson
Mayor