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REF: LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF RANGELANDS AND PASTORALISM (IYRP).

Dear Sir,

The Otammari people (which means "the one who shaped the earth") developed a construction system dating back hundreds of years that allows for the dual goals of building earthen structures and respecting the indigenous habitat. Central to **Ecomusee Tata Somba's** mission is the mandate of rehabilitation and historic preservation of these timeless structures. However, the tata somba faces a dual threat that is both imperiling their future and that of the indigenous peoples which rely on them for economic activity. Togo and northwest Benin's indigenous habitats are under direct assault from deforestation, land repurposing due to socio-economic conditions, and climate change. Ecomusee Tata Somba develop a program that strengthens historic and ecological preservation and provides diversified and sustainable economy activity.

The international year of rangelands and pastoralist (IYRP) is important opportunity for pastoralist and rangeland users in a way that it bridges gaps in lobby and advocacy for policies that support management and sustainability of Rangelands and pastoralism.

In this matter **Ecomusee Tata Soma** will contribute to IYRP in kind through the following activities

- a) Awareness creation on IYRP;
- b) Documentation on activities that contribute towards an JYRP in Benin and West Africa region;
- c) Contribute towards lobby, advocacy and research on pastoralism, cultures, rangelands and biodiversity;
- d) Support partnership and networking towards the IYRP;

Our support to achieve objectives and goals towards IYRP will be in kind
Looking forward for your positive cooperation

Thank yours sincerely,



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