



March 17, 2021

Dr. Alan Kadish
President
Touro College and University System
500 Seventh Avenue
New York, NY 10018

RE: Great Falls Montana Medical School

Dear Dr. Kadish,

We, the undersigned Board of Directors for the Great Falls Development Authority, offer our enthusiastic endorsement in establishing of the Touro Osteopathic Medical School in Great Falls Montana and our ongoing commitment in support of your long-term success.

The Great Falls Development Authority (GFDA) is a regional public/private economic development partnership and certified Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI). GFDA is formed as a broad partnership that serves the thirteen-county Great Falls Montana trade area, comprised of the Great Falls MSA and a vast rural and tribal region of north central Montana. Our partnership includes Cascade County, Great Falls College Montana State University, Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians, University of Providence, Great Falls Public Schools, Great Falls International Airport Authority, Great Falls Tourism, Great Falls Area Chamber of Commerce, North Central Building Trades, and over 150 local and regional businesses and institutions. We have active partnerships with numerous local, state and federal agencies and organizations that enable us to provide exceptional client services to support small businesses.

Your new Great Falls Montana college is the highest priority for our organization and community. We are proud and excited to partner with your team. We could not have a better partner with such an outstanding reputation and track record as Touro College and University System.

Thank you for your dedication to serving and lifting up underserved populations. Touro will be supremely beneficial to our region and surrounding states, creating opportunities for disadvantaged students and communities while generating tremendous economic impact.

We look forward to this partnership and commit our economic development team to aid in your long-term success.

With appreciation,

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