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Dear Mayor O'Rourke

**Bendigo and Region City of Gastronomy application to UNESCO**

I write to indicate Buloke Shire Council's support for the Bendigo and Region City of Gastronomy application to UNESCO to join the Creative Cities Network.

Buloke Shire Council is excited to support this initiative as it will be focussed on a joint regional approach to recognise and promote the development of healthy food systems, the cultural influence of the Dja Dja Wurrung throughout the region, and the people who utilise food and beverages to produce new products to improve lifestyles and raise an income.

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By joining 180 leading creative cities worldwide, this will attract national and international attention which will raise the profile of Bendigo and this region. It is an opportunity to celebrate, recognise and support the growing local, sustainability produced healthy and nutritious food, which will positively impact on the health and wellbeing of this region.

The success of this application for Bendigo and region, would be a tremendous outcome to be able to better create networks and partnerships between producers, consumers, businesses and communities which will help to build a more resilient and sustainable region.

Yours sincerely

Mr Anthony Judd  
Chief Executive Officer