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Janice Page, The Project Officer The Mercury Phoenix Trust UK

Dear sir/ madam,

Ref: Reference Letter for Kisumu Disabled Self-help Group (KDSHG)

Kisumu Disabled Self-Help Group (KDSHG), a community-based membership organization based in Kenya, focuses its activities on socially and economically empowering disabled members of the community. KDSHG's key activities include HIV/AIDS awareness, rights awareness, income generating activities, and vocational training for people with disabilities.

In April 2015, KCDF partnered with KDSHG through a grant award of **Kes. 308,200.00** to implement a program on strengthening organization's capacity status for growth and sustainability through organizational capacity strengthening interventions on governance, strategic planning, programme design and implementation. The project was successfully implemented and completed in September 2015.

Throughout the implementation period, we did not experience challenges attributable to KDSHG including issues related to their integrity and capacity to implement holistic projects.

In our interactions with KDSHG they proved to be a mature local civic group which is well rooted in the community. They are experts in the area of innovative solutions to local challenges including empowering persons living with disabilities

We recommend KDSHG for funding given our partnership, and their commitment to contractual obligations.

Yours Sincerely,

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