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RE: The Lion Finds Its Voice/Hologram Box Initiative Proposal

To Whom it May Concern

Youth Services provides numerous vital functions within our community, which include prevention, intervention, advocacy, and support services. Our mission is to provide quality services to the community by providing personnel and comprehensive programs committed to our agency's core values.

The Lion Finds Its Voice, the I Was Here Hologram Box initiative that has developed from the Nation Builder workshops strongly aligns with our mission. This initiative focuses on reflecting of the power of our youths' ancestry. These reflections bring about self-awareness, an understanding of their power and the necessity of finding and sharing their voices. The hologram box gives the opportunity to bring positive youth images and messages into public spaces to influence their peers to be leaders within our community. Additionally, we see the potential for it to help youth in our programs avoid illegal or antisocial behaviors through peer mentoring, skill-building workshops, and community interventions.

For these reasons, we are excited to support the Hologram Box Initiative. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at bpersley@lexingtonky.gov or at (859) 246-4393.

Respectfully,

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