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To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to provide an endorsement of Avalon Organic Gardens, Farm and Ranch, an outreach of Global Community Communications Alliance. I am a Research Professor in the Bureau of Applied Research in Anthropology and Director of the School of Anthropology at the University of Arizona in Tucson. I have come to know and work with Avalon Organic Gardens through my interactions with their staff, participation in workshops at the farm and ranch, and work with university students who have included visits to the farm and ranch as part of their studies.

I can personally vouch for the staff of Avalon Organic Gardens. They are responsible, follow through on their projects, and have an innovative outreach and education program. I have been impressed with their willingness to work with young people in mentorships which give the students real life opportunities to assist in running a working farm and ranch. They would benefit from and put to good use any assistance you could provide them.

Please feel free to email me at <u>daustin@email.arizona.edu</u> or call me at 520-626-3879 at any time to discuss this organization and their work.

Sincerely yours,

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