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SIEM REAP PROVINCIAL HALL
BANTEAY SREI DISTRICT
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Banteay Srei, May 10, 2019

Dear LokChhumTeav Kantharavynn,

It is with great pleasure that I am whole-heartedly supporting the new NKFC phase: Project "20 Years On, which will focus on the welfare and sustainable future of the younger generation in the District of Banteay Srei, who would otherwise not be able to pursue higher education, by joining the NKFC Academy of Arts. This would be the first Academy of its kind in the World Heritage Site of Angkor.

With an ever-growing tourism industry in the District of Banteay Srei, there is an increasing demand for a qualified dance troupe, highly trained chefs and the production of traditional art and crafts objects. Furthermore this project would provide a viable alternative for the young generation, away from the hardship of hard labour and worse, and give them the opportunity to remain working and living in the land they were born into.

This project will raise the profile of my District and be an opportunity for our villagers who would be proud to introduce Khmer values and their traditional legacy to the many visitors.

I, as newly elected Governor of Banteay Srei District, am looking forward to working hand in hand with my Teams of the Communes and Villages to assist the NKFC Foundation to bring this valuable project to the same level of success as the NKFC Rural Development Programs of the last 20 Years. These programmes not only delivered safe water, wells, latrines, hygiene, basic healthcare, agriculture, animal husbandry, education and vocational training to the villages, but also created the incredible international profile of the Sacred Dancers of Angkor Troupe, our best Ambassadors, who from their Conservatoire in Banteay Srei and their little theatre the Divine Sala in Siem Reap, perform the most authentic Khmer classical dance which truly brings the legends carved onto the walls of the temples to life..

With my warmest wishes and respect,





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GOVERNOR