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Royal Architecture Institute of Canada

Dear donor,

I want to express my heartfelt gratitude for making Royal Architecture Institute of Canada bursary possible. I am overjoyed to be the recipient of your bursary and I am deeply appreciative of your support.

I am currently finishing my final year in the Masters of Architecture at the Université de Montréal. I have found the program challenging but very exciting and rewarding. My first year was especially hard transitioning from an English school to a French school while being alone in a new city. Now, nearing the end of my program, I've adjusted and I am looking forward to using both languages while working in Montréal. When I graduate with my masters in architecture I intend to tackle the big questions our society faces. I plan on being part of the change that will benefit the environment and our community.

During my undergraduate degree at the University of Manitoba I held a part-time job in order to pay for school. During that time, I worked on the weekends and was overwhelmed as it was making me fall behind in my studies.

I've chosen to take on loans to help pay for my studies because the architecture program is all encompassing. Thankfully I am loving the faculty and the studio culture experience. Due to your award, I can focus my time at university on schoolwork and community engagement instead of struggling with finances. I will forever be grateful for that.

Thank you again for your generosity and support. I covenant to work very hard and eventually give something back to others, both as an architect and as an active member of my community.

I hope that this letter finds you well and that the upcoming summer season is filled with laughter and loved ones.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alexandre Ross-Gautron', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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