Dear Sponsor of the Aboriginal Health Human Resources Initiative (Medical and Dental Awards),

My name is Morgan Lecuyer, and I am a Métis woman from Stonewall, Manitoba. I attend school at the University of Manitoba, where I am in my first year in the Master of Occupational Therapy program. I am so grateful for your generosity and support. Your donation has enabled me to pursue the dream that I have worked towards for years. Receiving this bursary has eased the financial burden that comes with having to commute daily to Winnipeg from out of town. The program is quite intensive and does not allot for much time to work outside of school hours, so I have not been able to generate as much income to compensate. I also was able to contribute to the tuition and textbook fees that accompany my enrollment.

I have worked for almost ten years for an agency that provides living supports for adults with intellectual disabilities. The people and life lessons I have encountered along the way has pushed me to aspire towards occupational therapy. Throughout the program, we do several fieldwork placements and I want to keep an open mind. I want to explore all options that occupational therapy has to offer and find the role where I can best serve the community and assist people in living fulfilling, healthy and meaningful lives.

I cannot express enough how thankful I am for the opportunity you have provided for not just myself, but for others who are striving to strengthen themselves and their communities. I want to express my utmost appreciation and gratitude, because what you have given is a very special gift.

Miigwetch,

Morgan Lecuyer