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Dear Friends,

The news that you are organizing an Institute of World Culture is welcome news. In this time of turbulence, centers for public discussion of philosophical, scientific and ethical ideas are very much needed. Core ideas of unity, human solidarity, interdependence, human rights and social service, among others, need to be clearly expressed and strongly applied in practice. Opportunities for learning about cultures, ancient and contemporary, can provide guidance in promoting non-violence, peace and harmony throughout the world.

We recognize that you will develop the distinctive aims and programs for your Institute, just as distinctive aims and programs were defined for the Institute of World Culture in Santa Barbara at its founding in 1976. What we can share is the search for cultural values that promote learning and inspire life-styles that serve the welfare of all humanity as well as all that lives in nature. Although many of the aims of our Institutes may seem abstract and idealistic, we support your entry into philosophical and ethical conversations that seek both universality and relevant attention to the needs of individuals and local communities.

We request that you use this language in the first paragraph of your founding document:

The Institute of World Culture of the National Technical University (Dnipro) (hereinafter referred to as the Institute) is a fraternal organization inspired by like-minded, independent institutions such as the Institute of World Culture, Santa Barbara, California and the Indian Institute of World Culture, Bangalore, India. The Institute, here in Ukraine, started its activity in 2020.

We wish you well in your endeavors and hope that your Institute flourishes in the years ahead.

Cordially,

The Board of Directors, Institute of World Culture
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