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Colorado Tourism Office
Hilary Lewkowitz
Director, Destination Development & Sustainability
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Dear Ms. Lewkowitz,

I am writing to voice my support for the Town of Frisco's application to the Colorado Dark Sky Certification Mentor Program. Frisco began discussions regarding pursuing Dark Sky Community Certification in March 2024, and has both Council and community support for this certification. In August 2024, we received written notification that we are eligible to continue in the International Dark Sky Community application process.

As a long-time resident and now Mayor, I am keenly aware of the importance of a dark sky community. The opportunity to receive 70 hours of free consulting from Dark Sky Colorado would allow us the opportunity to continue to pursue our goal of becoming a certified Dark Sky community and would significantly help our staff with this process. Knowing the benefit the assistance would provide combined with the Town's willingness and enthusiasm to pursue implementation activities that would reduce light pollution and protect access to our night skies, I urge you to approve our application request.

Thank you very much for your consideration,

Frederick J. Ihnken
Town of Frisco Mayor
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