I am writing to you to offer support in the form of this letter to the project that will establish a new Colorado State University (known as CSU by its initials) educational center in Todos Santos, Baja California Sur, Mexico. This new center could serve as a strong and effective example of our two nations working together and we are very enthused about the opportunities it represents.

In accordance with the “100,000 Strong in the Americas” initiative, which seeks to double the educational exchange between the US and Latin America by the year 2020, we deem that The CSU Todos Santos Center could play an important role in the fulfillment of this critical bi-national goal. This center will increase the educational, scientific and cultural exchange between Mexico and the US and will provide educational and research opportunities that focus on issues such as water, agriculture, infectious diseases, elementary education, wildlife ecology, veterinary medicine, public health and environmental and social sustainability. The benefits of this experience to the citizens of Todos Santos is invaluable, as well as the cultural and educational exchange that will occur between students, CSU faculty and the citizens of the region. Having the great opportunity of learning from one another, the establishment of this center helps make this mutually beneficial exchange possible.

As a leading public research university, CSU has much to offer. The institution’s willingness to engage in innovative public and private partnerships to further its mission of providing education, outreach, research and service throughout the world is worthy of praise. The Todos Santos Project is only the latest example of this philosophy of service in action and we believe that all parties would benefit enormously from this new center.

As the construction phase moves ahead and CSU continues to engage local residents in programmatic and curricular development, I wish to know how this delegation /we may assist in establishing ties between the local people and your university community. We are very pleased with the planning to date as we look forward to numerous years of fruitful exchanges and collaboration and I again wish to congratulate/acknowledge CSU for establishing this important center in Todos Santos.

With nothing more to add at this moment, I offer you my highest regards.