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Re: Support for the Candidacy of Mr. Mark Samuel for President of the Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI)

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of Equestrian Canada (NF CAN), and our Board of Directors, we are pleased to express our support for the candidacy of Mr. Mark Samuel for the position of President of the Fédération Equestre Internationale.

Mr. Samuel has demonstrated a longstanding commitment to the advancement of equestrian sport at both the national and international levels. Through his leadership, strategic perspective, and extensive involvement within the FEI community, he has consistently shown a balanced understanding of the opportunities and challenges facing our sport globally.

Equestrian Canada believes that the future of the FEI requires leadership that is collaborative, athlete and horse-centered, and focused on strengthening the long-term sustainability and integrity of equestrian sport. Mr. Samuel's experience and approach reflect these values. His understanding of governance, international sport systems, horse welfare, athlete development, and stakeholder engagement position him well to guide the FEI through the next phase of its evolution.

Canada values leaders who recognize the importance of balancing tradition with innovation while ensuring the continued growth and accessibility of equestrian sport across all regions and disciplines. We are confident that Mr. Samuel would bring thoughtful, inclusive, and forward-looking leadership to the role of FEI President.

Equestrian Canada is therefore pleased to support Mr. Mark Samuel's candidacy and encourages FEI Member Federations to give his application their full consideration.

Sincerely,

Meg Krueger,
Secretary General,
Equestrian Canada