Dear CWCF members,

I ask for your support today as I declare my intent to join the board of directors of the Federation. My motivation is based on my desire to promote the worker co-op movement. I really believe in the capacity of our movement to be not only an alternative to the failures of our current economic system, but also to be an inspiration for the overall development of better business practices. I think that our collective strength is increased when it is recognized by the public and especially by the political class and for that, I am convinced that associations as this one are the key to our demystification. Moreover, the support of governments is crucial in this vision to help developing worker co-ops and to prove the credibility of a system that works. I also wish to involve myself on this board to create spaces to share experiences. Québec co-ops are often cited as examples of development and good governance around the world, but I am sure that they could benefit from an expanding network. Being a member of this board is an opportunity for me to study national challenges and contribute to national solutions. This world should be better... Let's work on it together!

Bio:

First inspired by international co-operation and the democratic management of the student movement in the early 2000s, Jessica continues her quest for a more equal world through demystification and promotion of the worker's co-op model. Newly interested by the art of facilitation, she uses every meeting like a learning occasion to be and work better together. Besides being responsible for co-operative life at La Barberie, a worker co-op microbrewery based in downtown Québec city, she is also involved as the co-president of her co-op, a director for the RESEAU and the CWCF, a volunteer for the Québec microbrewers association and is following a master program in developping people and organisations. She is also actively learning to say "no" and prioritize her passions.

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