**Motivation for Chris’s Nomination to [Board/Position]**

The South African National Climbing Federation (SANCF) is proud to nominate Chris for IFSC Continental Board Member-Africa in recognition of his unwavering dedication, extensive experience, and impactful leadership in the climbing community.

For the past 13 years, Chris has worked tirelessly across all levels of the organization, successfully leading and fostering the development of both the Western Cape Province and the National Federation. His expertise spans both technical and administrative domains, having been instrumental in shaping federation policies, developing ranking systems, and serving as National Jury President—demonstrating a deep understanding of IFSC rules and competition technicalities.

Beyond technical contributions, Chris has played a pivotal role in engaging with government and municipal structures, securing funding from both the Provincial Department of Sport and the City of Cape Town. His ability to navigate these relationships has significantly benefited the Federation’s growth and sustainability.

A key strength of Chris’s leadership is his collaborative and transparent approach. He has actively empowered a broad spectrum of members, ensuring the effectiveness of various sub-committees and commissions. This inclusivity is critical for maintaining strong communication channels between the IFSC and the SANCF. Under his leadership, the SANCF now boasts well-structured and functional committees, including:

* **Financial Oversight Group (FINCOM)**
* **Selections Committee**
* **Route Setting Group**
* **Youth Team Management & Coaching Staff**
* **Safeguarding Administrative Systems**

Given his proven leadership, extensive knowledge, and unwavering commitment, the SANCF is confident that Chris will fulfil his responsibilities in this role with dedication, diligence, and vision. His continued involvement will be instrumental in advancing both national and international climbing initiatives.

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