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To whom it may concern

I am delighted to support the bid to bring the 7th World Union of Karate Federations (WUKF) World Karate Championships for All Ages to Dundee in June 2018.

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One of our priorities at the University is to raise the global profile of Dundee. We are a Scottish university with an international outlook, looking to bring the brightest and best talent to one of the world's top 200 universities.

An event like the World Karate Championships can bring multiple benefits to the city, from the profile raised among those taking part to the economic benefits from having so many visitors to the city. It would be particularly encouraging to see so many young people coming to Dundee, many of whom we would hope will be attracted back in future.

For a local group like Kanzen Karate Scotland to attract a world event like this to the city is a significant achievement and I fully support their efforts.

Yours faithfully

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