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To whom it may concern,

Innovation cannot take place in a vacuum. Regions like Silicon Valley are so successful because key players in the innovation ecosystem are actively engaged. One of the most transformative players are the corporations, which serve as an important catalyst to shape the innovation community.

Synapse is a non-profit organization leading the way in connecting and organizing Florida's innovation ecosystem, and we are proud of the partnership we have with SunTrust which has led the way for the movement we are building. SunTrust Bank's Regional President has stepped up as the inaugural Chairman of the Synapse Impact Board, comprised of 50 top corporations and community organizations in the region. SunTrust Foundation has also been a leader by supporting innovation challenges, which empower organizations and businesses to crowdsource solutions to business needs.

We truly appreciate and value SunTrust's positive community influence, inspiring innovation in our community.

Sincerely,



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