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To the Editors

Commentary submission: Becoming contextually responsive: *taking hold of a shared vision for our profession*

Thank you for this valuable SAJOT Special Edition and the opportunity to share a commentary. The announcement of the Special Edition brought a sense of pride and excitement at the contribution that South African occupational scientists and occupational therapists are making to scholarship and practice, locally and internationally. I had hoped to write a piece on 'contextually responsive occupational therapy' on completion of my PhD – *in a couple of years*. However, the extension of the due date invited me to think about the opportunities and risks that come with such an issue, and what stands to be lost or gained as a profession: how such an edition can unite scholars and practitioners or alienate them from one another. My colleague, Dr Tania van der Merwe was eager to join me in this.

Thank you for receiving this commentary, as a simple and honest contribution to *not leaving anybody behind*. It comes from the mind of an academic and from the heart of a clinician. Thank you for considering it for review.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Kirsty van Stormbroek', with a large, sweeping underline.

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