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Dear Prof Pretorius

The manuscript entitled "Applicability of occupation-based social transformative framework in occupational therapy in the 21st century." has been submitted for review to the South African Journal of Occupational Therapy. The manuscript is the outcome of a mentoring initiative. Staff who have recently completed PhDs participated in a writing for publication process that entilaed weekly writing cafes and three writing retreats. The writing retreats included three critical readers who assessed conceptual clarity, scientific rigour, language editing and compliance with author's guidelines. The entire mentoring process is an attempt to assist faculty staff with writing for publication. We request the Editor to consider a waiver of the requirement for a letter from an editor. Senior staff in our faculty who are reviewers for international journals and are well-published, established researchers acted as critical readers in this mentoring process. The submission to an editor will incur additional costs for these emerging researchers. The university is attempting to assist this cohort of writers and we would like to apply the limited funds to associated publication or page fees. Thus, we request the Editor to consider a waiver of the requirement for a letter from an editor. We respect and understand the requirement for proof of

editing, and hereby submit that this writing process be accepted as an equivalent to that requirement. The publication of this manuscript will contribute to the field and the development of the contributing authors.

Thank you for considering this request.

Kind regards

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