INTRODUCTION

Igbo Studies Association (USA) is an association of Igbo and non-Igbo scholars interested in various aspects of scholarship that relates to Igbo people. Since its inception in 1999, the Association has built up a membership of well over three hundred adherents, scholars and Igbophones and Igbohiles, especially from the United States and Nigeria.

We are currently at advanced stages of establishing a Center for Igbo Studies and a secretariat for the Igbo Studies Association at Dominican University, River Forest, United States of America. This venture has necessitated activating our long-range plan for an Igbo Studies Endowment Fund that will enable us to implement our mission, objectives and goals of promoting and encouraging research and scholarship on all aspects of Igbo Studies, forging intellectual links and networking with policy makers and activists, and participating in debates at the local and international levels on issues that touch on Igbo culture, language, history, spirituality and economic development. Hence, the Mission of the proposed Igbo Studies Endowment Fund and the Igbo Studies Center with a secretariat at Dominican University is to establish an organized and sustainable framework with a focus on advancing and archiving the mission, objectives, goals, activities, and intellectual products of Igbo Studies Association (USA). Per those set objectives, the proposed Center shall pursue the following:

Serve as a think-tank for analysis and recommendations of critical issues affecting Ndi Igbo as a people with a distinct culture;

Develop and/or facilitate the development of proper and effective materials and curriculum for teaching and learning the Igbo language among the youth in this era of information technology; research and publish critical studies on Ndi Igbo;

Build and maintain linkages and alliances at home and abroad for achieving Association mission and endeavours, and Establish and/or support a depository or archives materials and documents on Igbo Studies.

We humbly request that you formally consider becoming one of our Title Sponsors. As a title sponsor, one aspect of our annual program of events shall be named after you, such as a Scholarship for the Youth, thereby etching your name in stone forever. You will get unqualified attention from the Igbo Studies Association (USA), from the African Studies Association that is our affiliate organization, and also from our other affiliate Igbo Studies Association (Nigeria) at the University of Nigeria, Nsukka. This recognition assuredly would extend to the entire Igbo world at local and international levels, in this life time and forever as your generosity will transcend many generations to come. For example, in the not too distant past, we received a lump sum donation from Professor Ihechukwu Madubuike, and with gratitude we have named an annual keynote address after his name. We have currently other keynotes and addresses set up. There are programs for the youth at our proposed Igbo Studies Center that have not yet been named to set up. As a title sponsor at the Diamond Level, for example, a program of study at the proposed Center for Igbo Studies in the diaspora could be named after you. You will be recognized in this way, and you could thereby help deserving youth to come to the United States to attend our conferences or pursue their educational careers at the Center once it is established. We see you as an ideal partner in this mission for us and for the Igbo youth in the United States of America, Nigeria and elsewhere in the world. Please find included in this letter a copy of the Constitution of the Igbo Studies Association (USA), as well as a sponsorship proposal detailing the different levels of sponsorship for your review. If you decide to become a title sponsor of the Igbo Endowment Fund, please do not hesitate to contact us. In addition, we will follow up with you to see if you, have questions that we could answer about this proposal or our Association. Thank you for indicating interest in our Association and for taking the time to review our Endowment proposal package.

Sincerely,

President, Igbo Studies Association (USA)
ENDowment Fund Sponsorship Request Form

Title Sponsorship and Other Giving Opportunities

The Igbo Studies Association offers the opportunity to build relationships with individuals, schools, institutions and universities, companies, Igbophones and Igbophiles all around the world. If you are interested in becoming a donor in our Endowment, please complete the Title Sponsorship Request form and return it to us via e-mail:

Sponsorship Levels

**Diamond Title Level includes:**

The logo of your company or organization looping on the ISA web site, with a link to your company or organization’s page (non-exclusive)

The logo of your company/organization printed on the annual conference program or Newsletter (non-exclusive)

A copy of the Igbo Studies Association Review advertising your company/organization placed in each conference bag (non-exclusive)

A no-fee membership and registration, if and when you do attend any conference.

A mention in the opening remarks of your donation.

A Plaque of Appreciation for your donation to the Endowment Fund.

A specific program at the Igbo Studies Center named after you or your company/organization for your donation.

**Platinum Title Level includes:**

The logo of your company or organization looping on the ISA web site, with a link to your company or organization’s page (non-exclusive).

The logo of your company/organization printed on the annual conference program or Newsletter (non-exclusive).

A copy of the Igbo Studies Association Review advertising your company/organization placed in each conference bag (non-exclusive).

A no-fee membership and registration, if and when you do attend any conference.

A mention in the opening remarks of your donation.

A Plaque of Appreciation for your donation to the Endowment Fund.

A specific event named after you or your company/organization for your donation.
Gold Title Level includes:
The logo of your company or organization looping on the ISA web site, with a link to you company or organization’s page (non-exclusive).
A copy of the Igbo Studies Association Review advertising your company/organization placed in each conference bag (non-exclusive).
A no-fee membership and registration, if and when you do attend any conference.
A mention in the opening remarks of your donation.
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Silver Level includes:
The logo of your company or organization looping on the ISA web site, with a link to you company or organization’s page (non-exclusive).
A no-fee membership and registration, if and when you do attend any conference.
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Bronze Level includes:
A no-fee membership and registration, if and when you do attend any conference
A mention of your donation in the opening remarks of the conference.

Emerald Level includes:
A no-fee membership and registration, if and when you do attend any conference
A mention of your donation in the opening remarks of the conference.

Amber Level includes:
A no-fee membership and registration, if and when you do attend any conference
A mention of your donation in the opening remarks of the conference.
I, the undersigned, representing myself /the Company / organization /institution /school / university indicated below, declare that we are willing to make a title donation to the Endowment Fund of the Igbo Studies Association (USA).

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