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To the Trustees of the Sargood Bequest,

On behalf of all our trustees and staff, we would like to thank the Sargood Bequest for the generous grant to assist with our kiwi breeding programme by enabling us to take the message about the plight of our kiwi as well as other endangered native species to schools, community groups and retirement homes.

The New Zealand Conservation Trust became actively involved in breeding the highly endangered Okarito Rowi and Haast Tokoeka in 2005, each having populations between 200 –250 in the wild. However since then we have increased the Rowi population to 350.

In 2007 our kiwi breeding programme expanded to include the Great Spotted Kiwi with a population of approximately 16,000 but unfortunately is declining at a rate of 4%p.a. Over the past two breeding seasons we have doubled the number of Great Spotted Kiwi chicks leaving our breeding facility.

The New Zealand Conservation Trust has a strong focus on education and advocacy and your grant will enable us to continue educating children and showing them the wonder of a kiwi chick hatching or the excitement of seeing a Tuatara up close and personal.

Many thanks
Richard Moore
Chair of Trustees

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