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### **Value Statement**

Every meal is a banquet to share.

Every move is a dance to fail.

Every moment is an experience of wonder.

And even myself can be grander than restraints forged in fear.

### **Leadership Point of View**

It looks like a page, written in growth.

It smells like open road, and ocean wind.

It tastes like wet tears, salty yet dried.

It feels like a pull together from a push behind.

And it sounds like what you hear when we truly listen. Together.

### **Reflection**

I'm a very flawed man. My approach to leadership, and much of life in general, was from a place of trying to matter to as many people as I could. I believed that if I helped people, if I was a leader, I made their life better, and I would matter to them in a way that could fix a fundamental problem I had with myself: a lack of self belief, confidence, and worthiness. My work with the Newton Fellowship taught me that not only did this motivation exist inside of me, but that I could challenge it, and truly grow as a person. Because of how much I had shackled everything that I did in life to matter to other people, I'm not sure who I really am anymore. But that's okay. From my coaching, I understand myself better and have tools to continue this journey of self growth. From my peers, I've learned dozens of new perspectives and outlooks on life that I can incorporate into my own. And from this program as a whole, not only do I have the

room to be curious about myself, but I have truly changed myself and my motivations to ones that align more with who I really want to be.