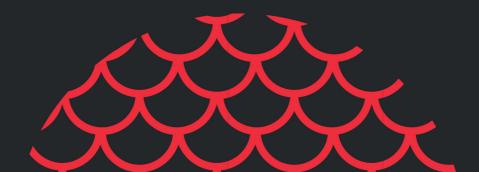
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a testament to the splendor of our treasured roots and the power of the rich diversity that thrives in its streets.

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