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Born and raised in the vibrant Dominican Republic, a Caribbean island brimming with culture and natural beauty, I developed an enduring passion for food and its transformative power. My love for animals, outdoor exploration, and reading nurtured my curiosity and instilled in me a deep appreciation for the delicate balance between humanity and nature.

Driven by a fascination with the science behind food, I pursued a degree in Industrial Engineering, specializing in food and ingredient technology. For

the past 18 years, I have immersed myself in the dynamic world of food companies, where I have honed my expertise in food science, development, and research and development. My unwavering commitment to innovation has led me to spearhead sustainable projects within the region, focusing on the optimization of value chains.

A lifelong advocate for functional foods, I am passionate about educating others on how ingredient technology can revolutionize food composition, enhancing its nutritional value and promoting healthier lifestyles. Food safety stands as a paramount responsibility for all food manufacturers, and I am firmly committed to ensuring the global supply of safe and wholesome products.

My overarching goal is to champion the adoption of plant-based and affordable protein sources, empowering individuals to make informed choices that contribute to a healthier planet and improved human nutrition. I envision a future where food serves as a catalyst for positive change, fostering well-being and sustainable development across communities.