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To Whom It May Concern:

It is with a sense of honor that we prepare this letter of recommendation on behalf of Brian Gordon.

We have known Brian for close to four years and have worked collaboratively with him in support of our son, Alex, who has an autism spectrum disorder (ASD). Working with a child that has an ASD (or any other disability) can be extremely difficult, and it is stressful for parents to entrust someone to care for that child. Yet Brian makes this seem effortless while, at the same time, providing us constant reassurance that Alex's best interests are always served. His ability to connect with our son and his talent at teaching him simple concepts, as well as more advanced topics, is truly superior.

Our son first met Brian at a summer camp that he attended at Spotlight. Brian worked closely with Alex and provided him with specialized instruction that has made a tremendous difference in the quality of Alex's life and our family's life. These services have provided Alex with self-confidence in school and will help form the foundation for success. The following summer, Alex was asked by Brian to be a Counselor-in-Training. This opportunity which Brian presented to Alex has influenced our son in many ways that we could never have expected and has resulted in Alex writing about this experience for his college application.

Brian consistently demonstrates sound judgment and exercises due professional care in the course of all our conversations and meetings. His professional demeanor, dedication, and knowledge of ASD's are evident in all aspects of his work. We are grateful to have Brian as a trusted resource for those seeking support in this area. We are quite aware of the challenges and rewards of raising a child with ASD and have been awed and inspired by the work of Brian who meets each challenge with grace and celebrates the blessings that are disguised by what others would consider hardships.

As evidenced in his quest for personal development and pursuit of excellence, Brian always takes the initiative to get the job done. He was instrumental in accomplishing the mission of the Spotlight Program, which can best be summarized as "promoting relationship building and fostering social skill development". As such, we have come to regard Brian as a man of integrity. On the interpersonal side, Brian has superior written and verbal communication skills.

Brian gets along extremely well with staff under his supervision, as well as colleagues at his own level. This was especially the case when we participated in a Parent/Spotlight Professional Committee that was facilitated by Brian and included members of his staff. We had the opportunity to serve as members of this joint committee that was tasked with providing input geared towards further improving the Spotlight program. We observed Brian to be highly respected by colleagues and employees alike, both as a person and as a professional.

We are pleased to say that Brian is a valuable team player and a kind and sincere individual. He is the type of person that anyone would be happy to work with and will be a tremendous asset to any organization. We could continue on with more glowing accounts of Brian, but will instead simply say that we really do think the world of him and respect him greatly. We would without any reservation highly recommend Brian Gordon to you. If you have any further questions with regard to his character, background or qualifications, please do not hesitate to contact us by phone at (603) 635-9368 or email: bdelgreco@comcast.net.

Sincerely,

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