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To Whom It may Concern

Re: Haley Barnes

In my role as Assistant Professor of teacher education and health education at Adrian College I have had the opportunity over five years and in numerous undergraduate classes to observe, teach, and supervise Haley Barnes.

Quite frankly, she is the best student I have worked with in my seven years at Adrian College. While only a freshmen she approached me and asked if I could help her seek out opportunities to grow and succeed. Needless to say I was surprised and a little skeptical. However, Haley did not disappoint. She took advantage of every opportunity to learn and expand her horizons.

Haley is an energetic, passionate and bright student. She possesses great leadership skills as well as strong written and verbal communication. Haley will graduate with a major in Physical Education and two minors, one in Health and one in English. Every year she has been on the Dean's List and won a Trustee Scholarship. She is also an Honoree selected to be in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. She was selected twice as Adrian College's Physical & Health Education Major of the year by SHAPE America (Society for Health & Physical Education).

She is excellent at time management as she has successfully juggled numerous projects and responsibilities. Her accomplishments are overwhelming. Haley was a member of the NCAA Women's Soccer and Lacrosse Teams. She was a tutor in the Writing Center. She won SHAPE Michigan Scholar of the Year as well as a SHAPE America Scholar of the Year. Haley was nominated and elected to be the Chair of Future Professionals for SHAPE Michigan and a board member attending regular meetings. She planned and implemented a Student Leadership conference at the annual convention. Haley presented a workshop at the annual state SHAPE Michigan convention. She has attended four state conventions and organized a student group to attend four national conventions in St. Louis, Seattle, Minneapolis, and Boston. Her commitment to education is unwavering.

I had the wonderful opportunity to supervise Haley as she was associate teaching in physical and health education at the middle school level. Haley demonstrated a warmth and caring for all her students. She was very organized with detailed lesson plans. Her weekly journals illustrated her enthusiasm and desire to constantly meet the needs of her students. Haley was knowledgeable yet eager to learn new skills. On a regular basis Haley sought to enrich the student experience by adapting and or modifying lessons. Haley had a very professional relationship with not only her supervising teacher but other staff. They respected her and recognize a vibrant addition to our profession. In our weekly discussions she asked questions, reflected, made comments and was mature beyond her years in analyzing her educational experience. It was a real joy to observe such an excellent emerging professional.

Again, let me state that Haley Barnes has been the most outstanding, passionate, and dedicated student that I have taught at Adrian College. Simply the best!

Please don't hesitate to contact me as I would be more than happy to continue to extol the virtues, skills and intensity of this young dynamic professional.

Sincerely

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