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To whom it may concern:

I have known Lori Guerrero for several years through our association with Anaheim Magnolia Christian School. Her daughter and my oldest daughter have been good friends for many years. I have always been impressed with Lori's energy and enthusiasm for life and for her children. However, it was not until we enrolled our daughters in our local speech club that I began to realize what a dynamic instructor and motivator Lori is.

My second daughter was born in Taiwan. She came to us with virtually no English skills. After a few years she was able to read and speak English with relative fluency. But, there was much room for improvement, especially with her writing skills. When our oldest daughter signed up for speech, our second daughter would tag along for the classes. But, she insisted that she would never want to participate in writing or giving a speech. However, Lori began giving her little encouragements to give it a try. "You don't even have to give a speech. Just try writing one out" she would say. Our daughter attended the speech meets with our family. She even participated as a timer for several events. She liked that and was good at it. Lori was always patiently nudging her to try it out.

By the second year, though, our second daughter delighted us when she announced she would give speech a try. Lori was right there to help her. She worked one on one with her to develop her ideas, help her with her writing skills, give advice on grammar and form and listen to her give her speeches. Lori worked with her online to edit her speeches and make them clearer and more presentable. As a result, our daughter gave several speeches during the year. We discovered that she has a real gift for telling a good story. We attribute much of our daughter's success to Lori's positive and helpful work with her.

I strongly recommend Lori to you as a Language Arts tutor in your school. She loves working with students. She has a very positive and encouraging way with them. She is very knowledgeable about writing and language skills. You will see growth in the Language Arts skills of any student that has Lori as a tutor. In addition, Lori's positive attitude would affect her students to succeed in life in general.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gary Halverson".

Gary Halverson

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