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To Whom It May Concern:

It is my pleasure to write on behalf of Christine Weigel, who has taught since 2013 for our English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) program at Community Impact, a social outreach nonprofit that is partnered with Columbia University in New York City. As the ESOL Teacher Coordinator, I supervise all 85 volunteer teachers, observing classes and leading training sessions. I am writing to recommend Christine based on her exceptional pedagogical abilities.

Through our organization Christine teaches adult English-language learners from low-income backgrounds. She is responsible for creating and delivering high quality lessons as well as collaborating with other teachers. She has also assumed the role of a mentor for her less-experienced assistant teachers. Christine is extraordinarily reliable and brings great enthusiasm to the classroom. She also has a knack for foreseeing potential student difficulties and misunderstandings. She always prepares creative and interactive supplementary activities to complement our textbook-based curriculum, which her classes greatly appreciate. Her students are consistently engaged and very participatory in her class. It is noteworthy as well that Christine has excelled in teaching a range of beginner classes and upper-intermediate classes, demonstrating her versatility.

Christine has excellent rapport with her students, who report high levels of satisfaction with her instruction. I appreciate that Christine takes her volunteer position with our organization very seriously and has utilized it as a platform to learn and grow as a teacher while providing high quality education for our students. Christine is an excellent teacher and she would make a strong addition to any organization; I am pleased to give her my whole-hearted support with this recommendation.

Sincerely,

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