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To Whom it May Concern

Re: Recommendation of Dr. Jerry Weichman

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter to provide my recommendation of Dr. Jerry Weichman. I am the PTA Character Education Representative at Las Flores Middle School in the Capistrano Unified School District in South Orange County, California. As part of our PTA sponsored Character Development Program at the school, we wanted to have a speaker talk to our students regarding the problem of peer bullying. We invited Dr Weichman to speak to our 6th, 7th and 8th grade students during three consecutive assemblies. We were very pleased that we selected Dr. Weichman for this task. Dr. Weichman had a wonderful way of relating to the students in their own language. He also used his own personal experiences to have the students better understand ways of coping with bullying and hurtful treatment from peers. He explained to the students the psychology of why bullying often occurs in the middle school environment in a way that they could understand and enjoy. Although Dr. Weichman's area of knowledge and expertise encompasses adolescent skills development at a much broader level, he was able to gear this particular talk to very successfully fulfil our goals for this event. Our goal was to have him address our concern that the students understand the impact of bullying behavior and encourage a more empathic attitude when dealing with peers and classmates.

Dr. Weichman has a warm and engaging speaking style and his use of personal experiences seemed to keep the students very interested and involved in his talk. One of our Assistant Principals reported that he heard the students continue to talk enthusiastically about the presentation even after the assemblies were over. Dr. Weichman's own story is one of great courage and one that seemed to be of great inspiration to our students.

I would wholeheartedly recommend Dr. Weichman to any organization that would benefit from his expertise. Please feel free to contact me should you wish any further information regarding Dr. Weichman.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Carrie Lee'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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