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To Whom It May Concern:

Mrs. Kami Spatzek has been a second grade teacher at Cossitt School for the 2007-2008 school year. During this time I have come to admire her enthusiasm for teaching, her creativity in the classroom and her sincere dedication to the students she serves. When I interviewed Kami for the first time I knew I had found someone whose life revolves around her classroom and whose knowledge about teaching, particularly teaching reading, was vast and growing. Her classroom performance this year has certainly supported those first impressions. She is very knowledgeable and she craves learning more so that she can improve the learning lives of her students.

Two hallmarks of Mrs. Spatzek's classroom are creativity and organization. She has created learning stations of high interest for her students that are ingeniously designed and executed. It is also impressive to watch the care and intricacy of organization that goes into implementing those learning stations with her students. Kami spends hours and hours of her own time creating systems for organization, preparing materials and setting up her classroom for these learning experiences. She has more energy than her second graders and uses it with purpose and care.

Mrs. Spatzek also invests her energy in each individual child. She knows each child's strengths and challenges and focuses on both. Kami can talk at length about each student in her classroom, animatedly describing the goals she hopes they will achieve and the things she is doing to support their progress toward their goal. She communicates carefully with the parents of her students on both a group and individual basis. Communication is another one of Kami's strengths, as she knows how important it is for everyone to be aware of classroom events and student issues.

It has been a pleasure knowing Kami this year. You will find her to be a committed professional with a remarkable work ethic and a sunny disposition. I would certainly recommend her for any position.

Please feel free to contact me if you need further information.

Sincerely,
Mary Tavegia
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Principal