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To whom it may concern:

Ms. Sarah Cornelius has been my colleague since February, 2011. We work together at the International School of Myanmar, where she is Head of Department for the technology teaching team of which I am a member. Sarah is a very supportive colleague. She anticipated and provided the support that I needed as a new teacher, and she has consistently provided help and advice to me for navigating the challenges of teaching during the academic year.

When I was hired by the International School of Myanmar in early 2011, Sarah helped me to prepare for the move from Canada to Yangon, Myanmar. She acted in a human resources type of role by sending relevant and well-organized information to me about what daily school and personal life would be like in Yangon and what I might want to consider in my preparations for the move. Sarah provided valuable information about the context of the school and its students, and she shared what she had learned about how to prepare for teaching at the school based on the needs of the students and the existing curriculum. I appreciate that Sarah took time out after work and on weekends to call me via Skype so she could check in and talk with me personally to answer my questions as I prepared for living and teaching in Yangon.

During this academic year, Sarah has supported me to plan the curriculum process and materials for a new graphic and Web design course. She has provided feedback on my course syllabus and units, shared her teaching tools to help me with the administration of the course, and provided patient and clear help with the school's administrative processes.

On a personal note, I truly appreciate how communicative, honest, and helpful Sarah has been with me over the course of the past two years. Please contact me if you have any further questions regarding Ms. Sarah Cornelius.

Sincerely,

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