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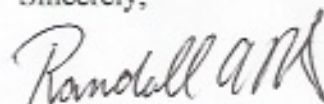
To whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter on behalf of Ken Khalouf, who I supervised as a student teacher at Slippery Rock University. I found him to be a hard working, enthusiastic, intelligent young man.

Ken has proved himself to be a charismatic, dependable individual. He is both conscientious and cooperative. Ken created a positive and respectful classroom where students responded positively to his personality and instructional approach. He utilized effective and appropriate class management and motivational strategies, keeping students focused and on task. He consistently structured a physically and emotionally safe learning environment. Ken was poised and confident and spoke clearly, and at the level of pupil understanding. He was able to think on his feet and make instructional adjustments in a timely manner. He worked to engage students in discussion and encouraged student interaction. Ken employed numerous assessments to enhance student learning, and adjusted instruction for diverse learners.

Ken demonstrated a high level of enthusiasm for teaching. He volunteered for numerous after and before school programs for both students and faculty. Ken is a mature, engaging, positive, caring professional. He possesses those qualities, which are important for success in life, and I feel strongly that Ken will continue to be a leader once he leaves Slippery Rock University. Ken is one of those people that you meet every few years that you know will be someone who makes a difference for those he comes in contact with.

Sincerely,



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