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To Whom It May Concern:

Mr. Sam Long did his practicum field experience in my 5th grade Language Arts classroom at Silverton Paideia Academy from January to early March, 2011.

During the entire experience, Mr. Long exhibited a high degree of professionalism. He was prompt and attentive every day. Sam was friendly and personable to all students and staff. One of Sam's greatest strengths is his natural ability to establish a rapport with children. He also has an exceptional ability to help students relate reading material to their everyday lives, allowing the students to connect with the material.

While in my classroom, Mr. Long taught whole group lessons, designed assessments, created an interactive bulletin board on figurative language, and worked closely with two small reading groups.

I highly recommend Mr. Sam Long to anyone considering offering employment to him.

Sincerely,
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