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**To whom it may concern,**

**I am writing a letter of recommendation for Miss Mackenzee Lear. I was honored to be asked and I consider it a privilege to discuss this fine young woman with you. I have known Miss Lear for over a decade and I can attest to the fact that she is truly a genuine, hardworking person inside and outside of the classroom setting. As her Spanish teacher, I have instructed her for four years now. She could not fit Spanish IV into her schedule for her senior year because she was taking other upper level courses. We arranged it so that she is seeing me several days a week on her own time during our Seminar Lunch and Learn schedule. In addition to taking her regular course load, she has challenged her herself to take my class as well.**

**Throughout these four years, Mackenzee has been a model student. She was not afraid to ask questions and had an incredible desire to learn the various Hispanic cultures. She was always ready to volunteer to answer questions and was actively engaged and participated in discussions throughout our various classroom activities. In my opinion, one of her most admirable traits is her ability to get along and work well with other classmates. Miss Lear is a student that could find something in common with anyone and work with them in order to reach their goals.**

**Miss Mackenzee Lear was inducted in the National Spanish Honor Society for the 2017-2018 school year. To be inducted, one must have a 3.6 GPA in Spanish and a minimum of 3.25 QPA in all subjects. She did so quite easily and I was extremely proud to call her name during our induction ceremony. As a member of the National Spanish Honor Society, Mackenzee has traveled to Pittsburgh to view authentic Latin American and Spanish Flamenco dance programs and has traveled to the elementary school to sing Christmas carols in Spanish each year. For her senior year, she has also been a valuable asset in our Elementary Spanish Program that started this year. We travel to the schools and teach multiple lessons in Spanish to grades K-2.**

**I have also had the fortunate opportunity to see Mackenzee outside of the school setting. For many years, my own children were a part of the same All-Star Cheering group in which Mackenzee is still quite active. While maintaining her high academic achievements, Miss Lear practices countless hours each week and travels to multiple states to compete in competitions for dance and cheerleading. She also volunteers as a cheer and dance coach to the younger participants as well. In addition to her phenomenal work ethic out of school, she is involved in the following school related activities: National Honor Society is FBLA parliamentarian and the SADD Vice-President and participates in the LVHS Engineering Team and Math League.**

**Without a doubt, I believe Mackenzee to one of my brightest students and certainly one of the most personable. It is my most sincere hope that Miss Mackenzee Lear continues her Spanish studies. She is a very talented young woman with a lot to look forward to in her future and I wish nothing but the best for her.**

**Sincerely,**

**Mrs. Kelly G. Fry**