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To Whom it May Concern:

It is an absolute pleasure to write this letter of recommendation for Maddie DeVries. Maddie served as a dedicated Theatre Technician for the Auburn School District Theatres during my tenure as Managing Director, which began in March 2022. I had the privilege of working closely with her for three years until 2025, when she transitionally stepped away to pursue her well-deserved career in teaching. Throughout her time with us, Maddie consistently demonstrated that she is exceptionally reliable, attentive, intuitive, and deeply caring. Beyond her technical skill, she earned the profound respect of her colleagues and every client who walked through our theatre doors.

Maddie's proactive nature and willingness to support the community were hallmarks of her time here. A prime example of this occurred when Rainier Middle School urgently needed a technician for their Spring play due to the drama teacher being on maternity leave. The students and staff were in critical need of a steady, capable hand to steer their production. When faced with this challenge, I immediately knew Maddie was the perfect fit. Without a moment's hesitation, she jumped in to ensure their show was an absolute success.

This scenario perfectly illustrates who Maddie is at her core: a natural educator, mentor, and advocate for youth. She possesses an innate ability to teach and inspire students, making her an invaluable asset to any educational institution lucky enough to have her.

It is with the utmost enthusiasm and without hesitation that I recommend Maddie DeVries for any teaching position. Please feel free to contact me at 206-271-3689 should you require any further insight into her exceptional qualifications.

Thank you,

Carol Smetheram

Managing Director

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