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To Whom It May Concern;

I have been Julie Fontenot's clinical professor for her student teaching experience during the spring 2019 semester. I have observed many qualities that effective teachers possess. Julie has tremendous content knowledge. She is thoughtful in her lesson plan design as she considers strategies to ensure success in learning. Her lesson plans include differentiated instruction to guarantee that all learning styles and needs are addressed.

Julie has wonderful rapport with her students. They respect her as their teacher because of her obvious commitment to them. Discipline issues are addressed quickly and professionally with no loss of learning time and no embarrassment to the student. It is obvious that Julie loves teaching and that her students care for her.

Julie Fontenot is committed and passionate about teaching. She is one of the best student teachers I've ever seen. She possesses the skills that are expected of high quality, successful teachers. She will be an asset to any school family. Her students will be fortunate to have her as their teacher.

Sincerely,

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