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To whom it may concern,

It is my pleasure to recommend Kayla as a strong and passionate mathematics educator. I have had the pleasure to get to know Kayla and work with her over the past year and she is someone who continues to impress me.

I have had the delight of teaching Kayla in two different classes at The University of Denver this year. Kayla is someone with a strong drive and passion for education. She loves to learn and wants to continuously grow and improve in both her student and her teacher role. She talks admiringly about her students and cares deeply about their learning. She is always looking for new strategies to meet each of her students' needs.

She has concern for equity in education as she works in her class to ensure all students are able to excel mathematically and have opportunities to be successful. She does a great job of identifying the various strengths of her students and makes sure that all students are able to display those strengths in her class. She has taken every opportunity in her student teaching to learning more about restorative practices, differentiation, and facilitating a rich mathematical classroom.

I see Kayla as someone who loves to learn and get the most out of both in school experiences and on the job training. She always comes to class ready to discuss what she learned at her school each week and is open to supporting her classmates in sharing new strategies. She is also impactful during class discussions. She works to challenge her thinking with what she is reading, what she sees in her classroom, and her own experiences. Kayla seeks continuous growth and challenge. I hope you will consider Kayla as she will be a strong addition to your organization.

Sincerely,

Jacklyn VanOoyik