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To Whom It May Concern,

I am very pleased to recommend Mr. James Burwell for any teaching or administrative position that best suits his experience and skills. I worked under his guidance for almost three years at Colegio Interamericano de Guatemala as a high school technology teacher and technology integration specialist; he was the high school principal at that time. I observed in him a true leader rather than a simple boss, whose actions inspired me due to his deep and committed responsibility and professional behavior.

Mr. Burwell consistently showed an aptitude for innovation, especially concerning the area of technology, since, as I personally observed, he has considerable knowledge in different technological areas including design, hardware, applications, educational software, networks, e-commerce, data security, and above all the integration of technology for student learning.

During the time I worked with him, the school was able to achieve one of the highest levels in technology education in Guatemala. Together, we implemented a complete virtual school platform which allowed grades communication and verification; electronic communication amongst and between administration, parents and students; and online materials such as exams, homework, surveys, educational chats, and blogs. We also implemented a laptop program in the high school, core classes' integrated with technology and interactive classes, along with extensive teacher workshops.

In the personal area, I can say that Jim is someone whose actions are well beyond the good values that society dictates. I suffered one of the worst moments in my life when I was diagnosed with cancer and he kept my job, my salary and above all he was constantly calling me, supporting me and cheering me up and I can say he was the same with all the employees under his charge.

Mr. Burwell is suitable for any teacher or administrative position because he is someone who is reliable, responsible, innovative, trustworthy, sensitive, and independent, with considerable technological and pedagogical skill and knowledge. He is a visionary and above all his actions reflect the necessary values that education requires. I am willing to extend my recommendation via e-mail or phone call whenever needed.

Sincerely,

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