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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is in reference to Mr. Stacey L. Young, whom I had the opportunity to meet while he was volunteering at the Arlington County Detention Facility in 2016. At that time, Mr. Young was facilitating various groups with those incarcerated and expressing their desire to change their lives. Since then, I have collaborated with Mr. Young concerning him providing sessions to those participating in the Addiction, Corrections and Treatment (ACT) Program located in the detention facility, assisting our participants with learning effective communication skills, developing their problem-solving techniques and most of all, encouraging our participants not to give up on their dreams, despite their current situation. As Program Manager for the ACT Program, I am continuously pursuing opportunities to collaborate with community supporters and Mr. Young has proven to be a valuable resource as he purposefully gives back to his community.

Mr. Young's demonstrated passion for wanting to make a difference in the lives of those who may have lost sight of their dreams-is infectious. Those who become acquainted with Mr. Young will immediately find that he is enthusiastic, committed and effective in the delivery of his acquired knowledge. As Mr. Young continues to share his gift of knowledge and provide opportunities for others to grow, he succeeds with fulfilling his goal of championing change with those who desire an alternative direction in life. I am privileged to provide this letter of reference for Mr. Stacey L. Young and I wish him the utmost in his continued endeavors.

Sincerely,

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