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Regional Director John M. Tsacrios, Jr. **Date: August 10, 2008** 

Regarding: Burton Harold Wolfe, Worldwide Stage, Inc. and A New Sugarland Performing Arts Center:

It is my pleasure to extend to you my highest personal and professional recommend-dations for Mr. Burton Harold Wolfe. I have had the privilege of working with Burton when he was past National Director of Projects and Events for the U.S. Committee for UNICEF, as well as observed and supported Burton's International Cultural Exchanges and diverse theatrical projects during the past eighteen years.

As past Director of Special Events and Projects for the U.S. Committee for UNICEF, Burton was instrumental in creating and directing numerous major celebrity events throughout the country including a series of concerts with Audrey Hepburn, Julio Iglesias, Liza Minnelli and others. These concerts and other events initiated under Burton's directorship raised millions of dollars for UNICEF projects worldwide. We will always be grateful to Burton Wolfe for his leadership, dedication and compassion in making such a significant impact on thousands of lives.

Burton's excellent communication skills coupled with his creativity and initiative made him invaluable to the United Nations Children's' Fund. UNICEF is among the leading international development and humanitarian organizations in the world today, dedicated to raising multi-cultural awareness and understanding for saving the lives of children and their families. Burton's meticulous attention to detail, his unique ability in working with diverse peoples and cultures, and his commitment to global caring and service are among Burton's greatest strengths.

I believe that the concept of a new Sugar Land Performing Arts Center is an idea that's time has come. The timing is perfect. The community is ready. And Burton Wolfe, Lawrence Wong and their company Worldwide Stage Inc. are the perfect team to make it happen. Their local, national and international experience plus their commitment to diverse multi-cultural performing arts and events make them a natural fit for the project. I can't wait to attend the performances at the new Sugarland Performing Arts Center!

John M. Tsacrios, Jr. Director, U.S. Fund for UNICEF

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