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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter in support of the work of Jackie Bosby. Ms. Bosby has led programs in the Athens area for approximately five years. These programs have offered students in our area opportunities to grow and develop as leaders through their "hands-on" leadership activities. Some of those activities have included the following:

- In 2001 Ms. Bosby introduced a leadership program at Cedar Shoals High School. The goals of this program were to develop leaders and serve the community. The students hosted four Halloween Safety programs and worked on a teen awareness TV show. This activity was very beneficial for the students, and certainly accomplished the goal for the program.
- The first Black Youth Heritage Expo in Georgia was developed and implemented in 2002, led by Ms. Bosby. Both Clarke County high schools were able to participate in this program. Students entered exhibits, as well as served as tour guides for other students who participated. This was an excellent opportunity for our students, as well as all students who participated.
- In 2003 Ms. Bosby worked with students from Clarke Central in creating the area's first Hispanic Youth Heritage Expo. This opportunity was held at the Classic Center in Athens. It was wonderful, and provided multiple opportunities for our Latino students, including the creation of project displays and providing program leadership for other attending students.
- Following the Hispanic Youth Heritage Expo, Ms. Bosby and the Latino students from Clarke Central were asked to provide this program for the USDA in Athens. Again, a wonderful opportunity for our Latino students.
- From 2003-2005 the Latino students from Clarke Central, led by Ms. Bosby produced 12 television specials dealing with educating the Hispanic community about services, businesses and featured many Hispanic talented teens. One of the most helpful of these was an introductory video for Latino families new to Clarke

Central. Our students planned and created this video (in Spanish) and presented it to the faculty at our school. It has served as an introduction for several new Latino families. It has been invaluable.

- Ms. Bosby has provided a number of other Leadership opportunities for our community which have included students from all the high schools in the county. Her leadership group met one Saturday a month to produce a variety of informative programs.

As can be seen, Ms. Bosby is committed to this community and has been willing to give of her time and talents for students. It is important to recognize that all of these activities were volunteer activities, as Ms. Bosby did not receive financial remuneration for any of them.

I commend Ms. Bosby to anyone who is looking for someone committed to helping youth grow, mature and provide leadership for their community. She is faithful to the students, provides exemplary opportunities for them, and creates relationships that command student commitment.

Please contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Maxine P. Easom". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent 'M' and 'E'.

Maxine P. Easom