To whom it concerns:

Re: Ollie Marciniuk, Coach Dedication Award

I am honored to endorse an icon of the Hafford sports community, Ollie Marciniuk. I have had the pleasure of working with Ollie for over 10 years as a coach for the Hafford Vikings football team.

Throughout the past decade of working with Ollie, I have witnessed him consistently uphold and instill valuable life principles through sport with those who are fortunate to connect with him. Success off the field is equally as important to Ollie as success on the field. He explicitly emphasizes the responsibility players have to reach their full potential in the classroom and contribute to their families' well-being.

Ollie continues to support all students in their athletic pursuits; he is often seen at many sporting events cheering students on and congratulating them after games. With the Vikings football program, he leads by example by volunteering his labor to work on projects that have improved facilities for the Vikings football team.

Ollie has acquired decades of football knowledge and experience yet he always displays humility and a willingness to continue to evolve his knowledge of the game. Two things I have come to appreciate most about Ollie throughout our past 10 years of working together are: his ability to use impeccable timing to offer a few simple words of wisdom and the reassuring confidence bestowed through his signature fist pump. In today's world, filled with constant change, one thing that has not changed for more than 50 years, is Ollie's steadfast presence on the Vikings sidelines, and his dedication to sport in the community of Hafford.

Sincerely,

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