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To Whom It May Concern,

It was my distinct privilege to serve as the university supervisor from Cleveland State University for Angela Bottiglier during her student teaching and I am pleased to have the opportunity to recommend her for a music education position. Through her thoughtful reflection on the teaching and learning process and her outstanding capacity to incorporate feedback, Angela realized the most dramatic improvement during our semester together of any student teacher I have ever worked with. After initially encouraging her to develop her teacher voice and to be more assertive, it was deeply rewarding to see her conduct an 80-piece high school band with confidence, clarity, and purpose during the final week of our semester.

Angela displayed the qualities of a true professional through her work ethic, perseverance, and willingness to do the work needed to plan engaging lessons, play the instruments in her ensembles, study scores, conduct a large ensemble, and cultivate the musicianship of elementary and high school students alike. Her intelligence, musicianship, and reliability will enable her to become a valuable member of your music staff. Her collaboration with colleagues and her rapport with students will make her a valued and respected member of your school community.

During her student teaching, I was impressed with Angela's ability to understand her students' learning process, ask good questions, incorporate suggestions, and connect with students. I am confident that she has the personal qualities to be a fine teacher. I know that she has the perseverance and reliability required to navigate the demands placed on teachers in today's schools. It was a pleasure working with Angela and I am confident that she will serve your school and your students well. Please feel free to contact me to discuss her specific qualifications for a position on your staff.

Sincerely,

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