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**Wendy Thompson, Principal**

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To Whom It May Concern:

It is my pleasure and honor to write this letter of recommendation for Linda Gant, a past teaching colleague of mine at Lafayette Elementary School in the Long Beach Unified School District. As a Dual Immersion teacher, Ms. Gant was able to meet the challenge of working in a very demanding school and program. She possessed the ability to interact with and assist students, parents, and her peers by utilizing her various talents and strong bilingual skills.

Ms. Gant was always a very enthusiastic teacher and was always willing to help and learn from others. She was a role model for her students as well as for other teachers and staff members. She exhibited a highly professional and conscientious work ethic and had often stayed after to plan and collaborate with other teachers, as well as to help tutor students. She conducted herself in a professional manner as she interacted with and assisted students, parents, and teachers.

She used positive reinforcement with her students and she also had high expectations for each child. Her enthusiasm, excitement, and positive attitude about her work is an indication of her commitment and competency as a teacher.

In addition, Ms. Gant was one of my son's third grade Dual Immersion teachers and as a parent I was extremely pleased with his progress while under her guidance. She provided an environment where the students were challenged and where they were excited to learn. I will definitely remember Ms. Gant as a teacher that made a difference in my son's life as a student!

It was a pleasure having Ms. Gant as a member of our staff and I learned a great deal working with such a talented and dedicated individual. I strongly believe she will be an asset at any school and will be one of the outstanding educators on any staff. I highly recommend Ms. Gant having worked with her and knowing the responsible and dedicated individual that she is.

Sincerely,

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