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March 10, 2024

To Whom It May Concern:

I am proud to write this letter of recommendation of behalf of Tanya Love. While I have known Tanya, personally, for over 35 years, for the past five years I have had the pleasure of calling her my colleague in the agricultural education profession.

As a classroom teacher, she is without equal. She has the ability hold the attention 30 high school students simultaneously while she teaches agriculture as an art as much as a science. Tanya is humble enough to admit that she doesn't know everything but also is willing to make the extra effort to know what is needed to better the lives of her students and continues to grow her repertoire of agricultural knowledge and industry experience. She has the ability to see and communicate relevancy of curriculum, which is one of the keys to her success in the classroom.

Outside of the classroom is where Ms. Love has made her biggest impact on the lives of students. Her work as an FFA Advisor at the local and sectional level has changed lives. She has the rare ability to balance empathy with accountability. Many of us have one or the other, she has both. A lot of students come from homes that are less than ideal and crave the attention and structure that their parents have been unwilling or unable to provide. In those cases, Ms. Love has filled in as a surrogate masterfully. Like a parent, she teaches them what they need to know not what will help them pass a test.

As an advisor she has coached students in a wide variety of CDEs and leadership contests and been able to consistently lead them to perform beyond their own expectations. The "Third Circle" in the agricultural education model, SAE, is one of Tanya's strongest. In a few years she has been able to not only grow the number of students with projects but also expand the scope and competency of her students within in their respective project areas.

Ms. Love is an exemplarily teacher, coach, and mentor to her students and I believe that the hard work she has put into her teaching will stand as a solid foundation for a long and fruitful career in agricultural education. I am truly honored to recommend her to fill your vacancy for an agriculture teacher.

Sincerely,



Clay Freeman
Agriculture Coordinator
Kern High School District



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March 1, 2024

Selection Committee Members,

I am honored to present this letter of recommendation on behalf of Mrs. Tanya Love, exemplary. Mrs. Love embodies the qualities of teaching excellence, industry experience, and unwavering commitment to her students, making her an outstanding candidate for your esteemed consideration.

I first crossed paths with Mrs. Love during her tenure as a student at Fresno State, where she joined my team at the Meat Science Laboratory. From the outset, it was evident that she possessed a remarkable work ethic and leadership potential, qualities that promised success in any endeavor. Following her graduation, Mrs. Love pursued her career ambitions within the meat industry and later ventured into entrepreneurship, showcasing her versatility and drive. Beyond her professional achievements, Tanya balances her career pursuits with the responsibilities of motherhood, underscoring her passion-driven approach to life and work.

In 2016, Mrs. Love expressed her aspiration to transition into agricultural education, and I had full confidence in her ability to excel in this new role. As an educator, mentor, and program builder, she has demonstrated unparalleled dedication to her students' success, both academically and in practical applications. Mrs. Love's commitment to excellence extends to her community, where she actively engages in fostering growth and development.

I wholeheartedly endorse Mrs. Tanya Love for your consideration without reservation. Should you require further information, please feel free to reach out to me at 559.977.3486.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kevin Woodard', written in a cursive style.

Kevin Woodard. Agriculture Business Instructor

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To Whom it May Concern:

I am honored to recommend Tanya Love, a highly esteemed teacher at Bakersfield Christian High School's Ag Department. Over the past five years, I have closely observed Tanya's exceptional work in growing the BCHS FFA program, which has seen tremendous growth under her leadership. As one of her first students, my daughter Emily won a State and National SAE Title, a feat that even the most experienced Ag teachers seldom achieve in their careers. This accomplishment is a testament to Tanya's unwavering dedication, enthusiasm, and passion for the program.

I have had the privilege of working closely with Tanya, first as a parent then over the last two years serving as a chair for the BCHS FFA advisory panel with her. Her level of care and the time she pours into her students and program are truly impressive. Tanya's commitment to hands-on learning is remarkable, and she has introduced several new pathways to the school's program, providing students with countless opportunities to learn and explore. Her industry knowledge is exceptional, and she goes beyond textbooks to immerse her students in learning opportunities that spark passion and engagement.

Tanya's willingness to challenge and push her students beyond their comfort zones is commendable, and it prepares them for future career and life challenges. Her rapport with students and fellow staff members is excellent, and her strong work ethic makes her a natural leader. She is continuously seeking new ways to improve, and her commitment to self-development is admirable.

I had the pleasure of watching Tanya take my daughter from a timid average speaker to a confident leader. Her investment in my daughter's growth and development was truly inspiring, and I cannot recommend her highly enough. Tanya is undoubtedly an excellent teacher and leader, and I believe she is an outstanding candidate for any Agriculture Department in California. Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions or require additional information.

Yours sincerely,

Deborah Wise, Owner Wise Farms & Livestock