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To Whom It May Concern,

I am pleased to write this letter of recommendation for Sandy Ulikowski, who was my colleague at AIM Academy during the 2023-24 school year. During our time together, Sandy taught Digital Media, Filmmaking, and Photography, and while I only had the privilege of working alongside her for one year, she made a lasting impression on both me and the Arts program. It is without hesitation that I recommend Sandy as an educator and colleague.

Sandy is an exceptionally talented and dedicated teacher. She consistently demonstrated a deep commitment to her students and the subjects she taught. She was always thoroughly prepared for each lesson, bringing a clear structure and purposeful objectives to every class. Whether she was teaching the technical aspects of filmmaking or guiding students through creative processes in photography, Sandy was adept at breaking down complex concepts into manageable and understandable steps. Her ability to teach the fundamental skills of each discipline ensured that students gained a solid foundation that they could build upon.

Beyond her technical expertise, Sandy's passion for the subjects she taught was evident in her classroom. She fostered a learning environment that encouraged creativity and critical thinking, while always maintaining a high standard of excellence. Sandy took the time to engage with her students individually, providing personalized guidance and support to help them succeed. Her students thrived under her mentorship and they still speak of the growth they experienced in her classes.

In addition to her teaching abilities, Sandy was a highly collaborative and dependable colleague. She was always willing to lend a helping hand, whether that was sharing resources, offering advice, or working together on school-wide projects. Her professionalism, work ethic, and positive attitude made her a respected member of our teaching team. Sandy was invaluable in creating the printed programs and the digital resources for the Theatre Program.

Sandy and I also co-advised a group of eight 9th-graders, and she was fabulous in balancing their emotional needs with creating a fun and supportive environment. I have remained in touch with Sandy beyond her year at AIM Academy, which is the hallmark of a good relationship. She is still providing her Digital Media expertise to the school this year for the student newspaper and a new mural in the lobby.

I have no doubt that Sandy will continue to make a significant impact in her future endeavors, and I am confident that she will be an asset to any institution fortunate enough to have her on staff. If you have any questions or would like further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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