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To Whom It May Concern

Re: Norman Greenhawk

It gives me great satisfaction to give faith to the character and professional growth of Norman Greenhawk who I have seen develop from his early time as an assistant at Las Casas de la Selva in Patillas, Puerto Rico. At that time I was producing vetiver grass, a well known plant for soil conservation and the protection of soil slopes. Norman quickly learned the methodology and led a group in the design and planting required to stabilize an unsteady slope.

I personally witnessed his studies and research regarding the Puertorrican coqui at Las Casas and other forests on the island, an initiative that led to attaining his Masters degree and very productive research. All along, his work showed excellent planning and leadership of student groups, and his attention to equipment selection and care.

I was often his sounding board in the planning of what eventually became his Project Palaka in the Philippines. Norman was always decisive that he would make this idea a reality some day. We are all witness that he has achieved this dream with great success and I am certain that his conservation method has proven effective.

I am also very aware that funding his project has been an uphill trial. Norman has used all contributions received towards the facilities he now has in operation. I expect further great initiatives in both conservation and education and I encourage any financial contributions that can be given to him.

Sincerely,



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