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**To Whom It May Concern,**

It is with great enthusiasm that I write this letter of recommendation for Carly Villanueva, a recent graduate of Keiser University's Center for Culinary Arts. I have had the privilege of working with Carly during her time as a culinary student and in a professional kitchen setting, and I can say with confidence that she possesses all the traits of a truly exceptional chef.

Carly is one of the most dedicated and hardworking individuals I have had the pleasure of mentoring. She approaches every task with professionalism, precision, and a genuine passion for culinary arts. Whether preparing mise en place, managing multiple dishes on the line, or crafting creative menu specials, Carly consistently demonstrates a calm, focused demeanor—even under pressure.

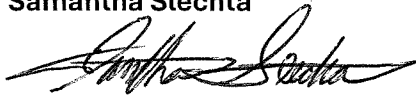
Her attention to detail is unmatched. From plating finesse to flavor balance, Carly always strives for excellence and is never satisfied with "good enough." She is also highly organized, an essential trait in the kitchen, and has a natural ability to lead by example while being a supportive team player.

What truly sets Carly apart is her eagerness to learn and grow. She actively seeks feedback and applies it immediately, showing a humility and resilience that are rare in this industry. Her work ethic, paired with her creativity and discipline, make her a rising star in the culinary world.

I wholeheartedly recommend Carly Villanueva for any position in the culinary field. She will be an asset to any team, and I have no doubt that she will make significant contributions wherever she goes. Please feel free to contact me if you would like to discuss her qualifications further.

Sincerely,

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