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To Whom It May Concern:

I highly recommend the architectural firm Zeidler Partnership Inc. As the Executive Director in charge throughout the architectural selection for, design and construction of the Carson Four Rivers Center for the Performing Arts in Paducah, Kentucky, I can fully attest to the talent and professionalism that is the trademark of ZPI.

Eberhard Zeidler is a visionary architect, who gave the project his personal attention throughout the process, even though the firm is engaged in numerous major projects simultaneously. The overall team assigned to the Four Rivers Center was phenomenal in building a strong relationship to the Board of Directors and Building Committee.

The team, led by Mike Nelson, was attentive to every detail and committed to our goal of building a performing arts center that was appropriate for our market area and that blended well with the existing landscape. They also helped us achieve an even greater goal, which was to build a major facility that was on time and on budget.

The Carson Four Rivers is now the crown jewel of our historic downtown and for the entire region. Everyone who has the good fortune to attend a performance there is thrilled by it's beauty and it's performance standards.

In November of 2005, legendary entertainer Carol Channing performed there and had this to say during an interview with our local newspaper:

"Is this where I get to play? She asked giddily. "This was obviously designed by a man that loves theater. This is someone who understands theater, who asked performers what, is important instead of worrying about putting gilded angels all over the place. Why didn't someone ask us before?"

I would be pleased to speak personally with anyone with an interest in hiring ZPI.

Sincerely,

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