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June 3, 2021

Mr. Gary Miniard, Warden
Ms. Tracey Raquepaw, Veteran Program Officer
9625 Pierce Rd.
Highland, MI 48623

Dear Warden Gary Miniard and Veteran Program Officer Tracey Raquepaw,

I am pleased to write this letter of recommendation for Mr. Kevin Scott, who is a decorated Marine Corps Veteran of the Persian Gulf War. Mr. Scott is the Clinical Director of "THE CRISIS PEER", an evidence-based mentoring curriculum designed to transition Justice Involved Persons, specifically aligned to meet the needs of "returning" Veterans.

I met Mr. Scott through the Detroit City Council Military and Veteran Affairs Taskforce that I chair. He has helped several people that my office referred to him for assistance and he also was instrumental in helping my uncle, a Veteran in the Korean War, before his passing. In addition, Mr. Scott has served as a panelist for my Military Veterans Task Force, sharing very poignant and personal lived experiences and insight regarding the "reality" many of our Veterans struggle with related to PTSD and suicidal ideation.

Professionally, I am aware that Mr. Scott is currently employed at the Detroit VA as a member of the HUD-VASH engagement team, as well as a member of the continuing education committee. He is a volunteer Veteran Mentor for both the 36th District and 19th District Veteran Treatment Courts respectively and also volunteers as a Mental Health Ambassador for the Detroit Wayne Integrated Health Network (DWHIN).

In closing, I can personally affirm Mr. Scott's compassion and sincere commitment in serving our Veteran population. He is the epitome of a consummate professional who will provide you and your staff with exemplary customer service and a phenomenal Veteran enrichment experience.

Sincerely,



Brenda Jones, President
Detroit City Council