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To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure to recommend Griffin Silbey to the Masters in Teaching Program at The Evergreen State College. I have personally known Griffin for over two years and have been intimately involved in all aspects of his life. During this period, I have come to see Griffin as a bright, personable, dedicated young man with a concrete, ongoing, well-rooted interest in teaching. Since he has been a full-time student at Evergreen, Griffin continues to show his unfailing commitment to achieving his goals while developing himself as a person.

I was initially introduced to Griffin in January of 2020 when I facilitated a family meeting. As a bit of personal and professional background, I am a drug and alcohol counselor and interventionist. I founded my company, Wagner Intervention, in 2006 and assist patients and families suffering from substance use disorders. I received my B.A. from The University of Chicago and my Juris Doctorate from Gonzaga University.

Through my observations, I believe Griffin's experiences will continue to contribute to his success. He has overcome several obstacles to arrive where he is today. I have witnessed him learn many new skills and characteristics that are important to a successful academic life such as persistence, dedication, service, humility and self-acceptance. Also, Griffin has maintained sobriety from the first day we initially met. In my experience, this is extremely rare in a young adult; however, absolutely reflects Griffin's commitment to sobriety, and creating a positive life focused on honesty and service. His accomplishments thus far in this regard are exemplary. The benefits of Griffin's personal program of recovery have positively impacted multiple areas of his life. These areas include calmness in the face of adversity and an increased ability to problem solve and plan instead of reacting.

I am certain that Griffin is unquestionably an exceptional candidate for Evergreen's Masters in Teaching Program. Griffin has proven himself to have the perserverance, initiative, intellect, and interpersonal skills to complete an advanced degree and impact future students. Teaching has been a dream of his that he identified to me in the beginning of our relationship. It has been an absolute pleasure to get to know Griffin, and his passion along with his development of his belief in himself, even in the face of difficulty, are immensely admirable assets. I am confident if given the opportunity to obtain his advanced degree, he will continue to demonstrate the same diligence, tenacity, and personal growth that he has exhibited to me. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions at joe@wagnerintervention.com.

Sincerely,

Joseph A. Wagner