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To Whom It May Concern,

I have known Mr. Perry for the last several years and have had the pleasure of working with him through both PHAR and The Fe-Male Perspective organization.

Mr. Perry has worked directly with many of the residents of the Charlottesville Redevelopment and Housing Authority (CRHA). As CRHA's Executive Director, I am well aware of the complex challenges and obstacles that our low income residents face. Mr. Perry has demonstrated that he has a keen understanding of the difficult issues involved and a tremendous passion to be part of the solution. He is one of the few people that I have met that is not afraid to ask the sometimes uncomfortable questions and engage in an honest dialogue in an effort to truly affect change. He does so with an open mind and a welcoming style that encourages a productive exchange of varied opinions.

Mr. Perry has also shown that he is not afraid to do the hard work that is required to translate ideas and theory into action. Mr. Perry has had great success in his work with CRHA's residents. He has designed programs and curriculums that have developed leadership and life skills. He has challenged the residents and held them to a high standard but has done so in a nurturing rather than discouraging way. I have seen that many of the residents that have worked with Mr. Perry have surprised themselves by what they have been able to accomplish. His professional and respectful approach has allowed him to reach the residents in a way that I have not seen from many others.

I recommend Mr. Perry without reservation. I am confident that he will establish productive relationships with staff and constituents. Please let me know if I can provide any additional information about this outstanding gentleman.

Sincerely,

Executive Director



