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To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great privilege that I write to you in recommendation of Jacques Weber. I first met Jacques in July of 2006, in St. Laurent-du-Var, France. I was a student of his in the Abbey Road French Immersion Program, a month long course in which students lived with a French family while attending formal language classes.

As a pupil, I was immediately amazed, and inspired, by Jacques' mastery of multiple languages. It was impressive to observe the fluency with which he moves between cultures and societies. Perhaps it is his international background that gives him such an advantage, but I found that Jacques, as a teacher, truly understands his students. He recognizes the variations in each student's style of learning and aptly caters his teaching to the benefit of all. Although the class time itself was "work," in a sense, each and every student looked forward to the time spent learning from such an enthusiastic and enjoyable teacher.

Under his guidance in St. Laurent, my love of the French language truly flourished. It is honestly in large part due to Jacques that I am currently a French major at Louisiana State University, with plans to spend a year in France teaching English after my graduation. I hope to emulate Jacques' teaching style, in showing students that learning a language, though at times frustrating, can also be pleasurable and extremely rewarding. It is with only fond memories that I remember my time spent in France, and I can thank Jacques for helping to broaden my cultural horizons, aiding me and every other student in viewing the world with more open eyes.

I personally assure you that Jacques has a great, positive influence on all those who he teaches and is more than qualified for whatever rigors he may face in a new capacity. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have further questions regarding Jacques' candidacy.

Sincerely,



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