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To Whom It May Concern:

It is an honor for me to write this letter of recommendation in behalf of Miss Kelly Willard. I had the privilege of mentoring and working with Kelly for two years. We worked together as colleagues in the music department of the South Haven Public Schools. She became the Director of Choirs for Baseline Middle School in the fall of 2010. Since that time, our choral program has continued to grow and flourish both in enrollment numbers and in the musicality of the students.

Baseline Middle School has been represented by Miss Willard's students with their participation in the State Honor's Choirs at the Michigan Music Conference held in Grand Rapids every year. Her students have had successful participation at the District Solo & Ensemble Festival as well as her ensembles have performed with excellence at both the District and State Choral Festivals.

Kelly has done an excellent job in all facets of the position. She is professional in all areas of her teaching responsibilities. She is extremely organized and detailed oriented. She continually challenges her students to strive for excellence and has high expectations of them individually as well as for the choral program. Kelly works diligently to communicate with our administration, faculty and parents. Her rehearsals are filled with high energy and enthusiasm. She demands excellence from her students which is evident in their performances.

It has been a pleasure to both know and work with Kelly in South Haven. Miss Willard would be successful in any position she would choose to pursue. It is with my highest recommendation that Miss Kelly Willard be considered as an employee within your school district or organization. If you have any questions please feel free to reach me at 269-209-1286.

Musically,

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Retired Director of Bands Baseline Middle School

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