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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

RE: Mr. Joe Roberts & the “Courage to Change Foundation”

I am writing this letter in support of Mr. Joe Roberts and the Courage to Change Foundation. Mr. Roberts and I have been working together at the Burnaby Youth Custody Services Centres for the last three years. Joe has made regular appearances at our facilities as a speaker sharing his life story and powerful message “Don’t Buy the Lie About Getting High.”

Joe has made himself available to us on the following dates in the last fiscal year:

- May 17, 2002~ two 1.5 hour performances
- August 21, 2002 ~ two 1.5 hour performances
- December 27 2002 ~ two 1.5 hour performances
- March 17, 2003 ~ two 1.5 hour performances
- August 28, 2003 ~ two 1.5 hour performances
- Dates tentatively booked for December 2003.

I cannot begin to tell you how impressive Joe’s presentation is, as well as his ability to relate to the high-risk young offenders we have here in the Burnaby Youth Custody Services District. Joe always takes the time to make each and every one of his participants feel special and valuable. This was especially evident during his last visit, when he and an anonymous sponsor provided all the residents with a signed copy of his books.

Joe is always available, willing and eager to come to the Centre to speak with the kids. This was especially true during last Christmas Season’s break. He is truly one of my most valuable resources, and it is always a pleasure to work with him.

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

Mrs. Julie Czerwinski