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November 10, 2021

Hannah Slusser
Governor's Office
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Dear Ms. Slusser:

I am honored to write this letter in support of Jeana Lervick as a candidate for the position of District Court Judge. As a retired Billings Public Schools Elementary School Principal, I had the pleasure of working with Jeana for several years in her role as Executive Director of Human Resources for the district. I can state without hesitation that Jeana would be a perfect fit for this judgeship.

In addition to her professional qualifications, Jeana brings a vast array of experience, common sense, professionalism, wit, and compassion to the table each day. I observed her leading others with patience and understanding, but with the firmness needed to uphold district policies. Union contract negotiations presented unique challenges and Jeana displayed tact and understanding during the process, while striving for solutions acceptable to all parties.

Clear, concise communication and a level-headed, calm demeanor will serve Jeana well in this position. She is deliberate and trustworthy and leads with humility and honesty. Above all, she is passionate, open-minded, and hard-working.

The District Court would be fortunate to have Jeana serve in the Thirteenth Judicial District. I highly recommend her for this important position and I am confident that she would serve with dignity and excellence.

Thank you for your consideration and please feel free to contact me if you desire any further information.

Best Regards,

Kim Beatty

Kim Beatty
Retired Elementary Principal
Billings Public Schools

Slusser, Hannah

From: Amy Bell <amy.e.bell@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 13, 2021 3:51 PM
To: NominateJudges
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Jeana Lervick

Hello, my name is Amy Hopstad. I am writing to endorse Jeana Lervick for District Court Judge. I have knows Jeana for several years, when our sons started playing baseball together. We have spent LOTS of time together now, between sporting events and our children's friendships. I know that she is compassionate about what she does, has much invested in the Billings community and only wants good things for our area. As a physician in Billings, also with young children, I want a safe city in which to raise my family. I trust her wholeheartedly in this position.

Thank you for taking the time to read.

Sincerely,
Amy Hopstad, MD



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November 12, 2021

Governor Greg Gianforte
State of Montana
P.O. Box 200801
Helena, MT 59620

Re: Jeana Lervick, applicant for Montana Thirteenth Judicial District Court vacancy

Dear Governor Gianforte,

I support Jeana Lervick's application for the current judicial vacancy in the Montana Thirteenth Judicial District.

For the last several years Jeana has been leading the Civil Division of the Yellowstone County Attorney's Office as my Chief Civil Deputy. Jeana grew up in Billings and knows this community well. I selected her to lead the civil division after working with her on several matters when she was legal counsel for the local school district. She already had tremendous experience, having worked in a notable Chicago law firm for several years.

Being the chief of my civil division is tremendously difficult. She must deal with legal issues facing all county departments and provide legal advice for the Board of County Commissioners. Her experience, levelheadedness, and strong work ethic navigated Yellowstone County through many recent challenges.

Jeana possesses skills that I believe are critical to making an excellent judge, including intelligence, fairness, and consistency. In her capacity as chief legal counsel she must be firm with her legal analysis even when people disagree. Jeana has an innate ability to convey written and spoken opinions in a clear and logical way, which is a crucial talent for judges to possess since successful litigation depends on all parties in a case understanding the judge's rulings.

Jeana would make an excellent district court judge, and she has my full support for the vacancy within the Thirteenth Judicial District.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Scott Twito".

Scott Twito
Yellowstone County Attorney

Slusser, Hannah

From: darnell <HHDarnell@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 11, 2021 2:50 PM
To: NominateJudges
Subject: [EXTERNAL] appointees for District Judge

Good afternoon,

I would like to speak of the personal traits of Jeanna Lervick. I have known Jeanna for about eight years. She is a neighbor in our subdivision. Jeanna has been active in neighbor functions and is always ready to support and help out our community. I find her to be a kind, strong, honest and reliable person. She is family oriented, supporting her young son in his musical and sport endeavors and a huge support system for her father.

Jeanna is very intelligent and knowledgably in many areas. I believe that Jeanna Lervick would make a perfect appointed judge to our District Court.

Thank you for your time.

Darnell O'Brien
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Slusser, Hannah

From: Laurence R. Martin <LMartin@feltmartinlaw.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 10, 2021 2:17 PM
To: NominateJudges
Subject: [EXTERNAL] 13th Judicial District

This is written in support of Jeana Lervick who is a candidate for the open judge's position in the District to be filled at the end of the year. Jeana worked in our office as an associate attorney. I found her to be knowledgeable with high moral and ethical standards and with the temperament necessary for the bench. Laurence R. Martin

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November 08, 2021
Office of the Governor
Attn: Hannah Slusser
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Helena, MT 59620

Dear Governor Gianforte,

My name is Melissa Williams and I am writing to support Jeana Lervick for the Thirteenth Judicial District Court vacancy in Yellowstone County. I serve as Chief Litigation Counsel for Yellowstone County and serve the County closely aligned with Jeana.

When I came to the County a few years ago, I was extremely concerned about who would serve the role as Chief In-House Counsel. I had previously been a Standing Master, as well as a Public Defender in the County. I knew that the Chief would need to be someone with strong legal knowledge of our courts and systems of government, as well as someone who could navigate the daily decision-making necessary in the role. Jeana has in all ways exceeded my expectations.

Jeana's legal expertise is without compare. Jeana has spent many years in a legal environment as exclusive as it gets. Her experience as a litigator in one of the toughest markets in the U.S. is of immeasurable value. Jeana left her coveted position because she truly values her community. And since returning home, Jeana's breadth of legal knowledge has only multiplied. Upon returning home, she took the Montana Bar Exam nearly fifteen years after graduating law school. She is proficient in not only litigation, but also in the arbitration and administrative law proceedings that many attorneys could not navigate without significant practice. Jeana has served as counsel in countless Human Rights Bureau cases. Jeana has the ability to get to the heart of any legal issue.

Moreover, when it comes to daily decision-making there is no position that rivals that of Jeana's. Not only does she oversee the employment aspects of all prosecutors in the County Attorney's Office, she deals on a daily basis with elected officials who often have different views of the future for our community. Jeana understands the importance of following the law. She is no stranger to delivering what can be unpopular news because we are required to follow the confines of the law.

An important and often overlooked characteristic necessary for a successful Judge is the ability to make decisions efficiently. The Thirteenth Judicial District is the busiest in the State. Jeana is tasked with making legal decisions regularly and on-the spot. She must know off-the cuff the laws that the County must follow and provide advice that affects us all. She makes decisions for the County on a daily basis.

I have served as a Standing Master and can say without hesitation that her traits will serve the needs of the Thirteenth Judicial District Court. Jeana practices regularly in the Thirteenth Judicial Court and she often consults the Court on policy. She knows what she is getting herself into.

Ms. Lervick is professional, courteous, and knowledgeable. She is dedicated to this community-her home. Jeana would service her community with great compassion and humility for many years if chosen to serve the Thirteenth Judicial District.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to provide my comments. Please feel free to contact me with any questions about Ms. Lervick.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M. Williams', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Melissa A. Williams

Yellowstone County



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November 8, 2021

nominatejudges@mt.gov

To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this writing as my support for Jeana Lervick to be appointed to the vacancy in the 13th Judicial District for the State of Montana.

In my role as Finance Director for Yellowstone County, I have had the opportunity to work with Ms. Lervick on many issues over the past 18 months. It is through that work that I have become convinced that she possesses the underlying qualities that would make her an excellent choice for this position, and a well-qualified and respected judge going forward.

Ms. Lervick has shown a fair, consistent, and objective approach throughout her time with Yellowstone County. She has helped resolve numerous challenges and situations where there was lack of consensus with our Board of County Commission members, issues with the public and by providing wise counsel to department heads and elected officials.

She has an extensive background with the issues that face this district, ranging from land use, marijuana zoning, taxation, elections, public safety issues and the like. These issues often align one person or group against another. When faced with these, she approaches and deals with all of it by asking good questions, listening well, and basing her findings on Montana law, previous precedent, and other relevant items such as previous Board of Commissioner decisions.

I urge her selection for this important position. I stand ready to share any additional information that might prove helpful to you in your deliberations. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kevan Bryan".

Kevan Bryan, CPA
Director of Finance and Budget

From: Nikki McDonald <nikkimcdonald3@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 7, 2021 10:42 AM
To: NominateJudges
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Nominate Judges

To whom it may concern,

I am writing on behalf of Jeana Lervick who is putting her name in for the possibility of appointment as a district court judge. I was lucky enough to get to know Jeana really well over the last year thanks to our children being on the same baseball team. First, Jeana is always willing to help whenever help is needed. She and I ran the scoreboard and playbooks for the team. She is one of the most organized people I have ever met! I also learned what a great multi-tasker she is due to her great organizational skills. Aside from that, what I really love about Jeana is her kind heart. She is a friend to everyone. I also saw her passion for justice. Any confrontation that came her way she was able to handle it with confidence and fairness. She has signed up to volunteer for jobs that nobody else will step up to do. She is a woman I admire due to her work ethic, kind heart, and an amazing mother to her son, Jack. She would make a GREAT district court judge!

Thank you,

Nikki McDonald

Slusser, Hannah

From: Kevin P. Heaney <kheaney@crowleyfleck.com>
Sent: Friday, November 5, 2021 6:06 PM
To: NominateJudges
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Public Comment on 13th Judicial District Judge Applicant - Jeana Lervick

Dear Committee and Governor Gianforte,

I am pleased express my support of Jeana Lervick for the position of District Court Judge in Yellowstone County.

I have practiced law in Billings for over 20 years and have had the privilege of knowing Jeana both personally and professionally for most of them. Jeana demonstrates the qualities that make a good judge – wisdom, humility, character, compassion, drive, patience, fairness, and common sense.

Jeana possesses a rare wealth of both private and public legal experience. If she becomes a judge, that diversity will serve her and those appearing before her well. Jeana's diverse and successful legal career reveals that she is willing, able, and has the courage to learn new and different areas of the law, all of which are critical to thrive in a judicial position that requires issuing decisions involving nearly every area of the law.

Jeana is not only a well-rounded attorney, but a well-rounded person with interests outside of the law. She is a terrific mother and gives back to our community in many ways.

I am confident Jeana would make an outstanding District Court Judge and our community would be fortunate to have fill that role.

Thanks,

Kevin Heaney

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United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

November 5, 2021

Dear Committee and Governor Gianforte,

I am writing to give my most ardent support to Jeana Lervick for the position of District Court Judge. As former superintendent of Billings Public Schools, I worked with Jeana for several years after moving to Montana. I can say without hesitation that she has the demeanor, wit, and experience to seamlessly move into the position.

At SD2, Jeana served as Executive Director of Human Resources, Board Clerk and legal counsel. But the roles she served extended beyond titles. On a daily basis she was in charge of all hiring, firing and discipline of approximately 2,200 employees. I saw her work at all times in the best interests of our students and community through firm, but rational, decision-making. Whether issuing progressive discipline or engaging in the extremely rare and difficult (as well as highly public) process of termination, Jeana had a manner that exuded respect, without fail. Even in the most difficult HR circumstances, Jeana remained calm and without hesitation made decisions that directly affected the lives of those involved. Without a doubt, I know that this experience will make Jeana the most qualified, and highly-valuable, member of the Bench.

In addition, Jeana took on the role of educating, advising and, at times, soothing over a nine member Board of Trustees. Our District was in turmoil for several years and through Jeana's rational, conversational manner, we managed to bring Trustees to a position where they were able to work together in a functioning manner. She calmly dealt with sometimes emotionally-charged members of the public, and provided the Board with the tools it needed to be successful. The many accomplishments that we made during this time are highly attributable to Jeana's ability to quickly make decisions, and our community is grateful for her service.

On a personal note, I still miss Jeana's quick wit and humor. During many stressful events, she was always able to make our Leadership Team laugh, and make dire situations feel less insurmountable. Her genuine care for all those around her, and unending willingness to listen, were traits whose value I believe we will only fully be able to recognize as the years continue.

I know without hesitation that Jeana will serve our community as one of our most invaluable members of the Bench because I have seen her ability to do so. Her abilities in the areas that are not taught—listening, rationality, and the presence to make decisions without hesitation—are those she has honed for the past several years. Her experience sets her apart and I hope that you will be as impressed with her skills as I was.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Terry Nelsen-Bouck".

Terry Nelsen-Bouck
Regional Education Officer
U.S. Department of State

Slusser, Hannah

From: Robb Bergeson <rbergeson@edwardsjetcenter.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 3:18 PM
To: NominateJudges
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Jeana Lervick Letter of Recommendation

To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great honor that I write this letter of recommendation for Jeana Lervick for the open District Court Judge seat.

I have known Jeana for 30+ years, and I know her to be a woman of high character and sound judgment. But most importantly, she is great person.

In sum, I believe that Ms. Lervick would be a great addition to Montana's District Court bench. She possesses the necessary mental and moral traits to succeed in that difficult position. It is with strong conviction that I recommend Jeana Lervick.

Regards,
Robb Bergeson

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Attn: Hannah Slusser
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October 28, 2021

I am writing in support of Jeana Lervick's application to become an Associate Judge of the Thirteenth Judicial District, Yellowstone County of Montana. Jeana and I were work colleagues at Bell, Boyd & Lloyd LLP (n/k/a K&L Gates, LLP) and have been friends for over fifteen years since.

Jeana has the experience and unique temperment desired for such a position of public trust. As a colleague, I personally witnessed Jeana's patience, open-mindedness, courtesy, tact, courage, and common sense while working under great stress on complex intellectual property cases. As a friend I know her to be understanding, compassionate, and humble. I believe Jeana will make an excellent judge.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Sincerely,

Christopher Fahy

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October 28, 2021

Office of the Governor
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Via Electronic Mail: nominatejudges@mt.gov

RE: Letter of Support for Judicial Nomination – Jeana Lervick

To Whom It May Concern,

I write in support of Jeana Lervick as a potential candidate for District Court Judge. I have known Jeana for over two decades and have always found her to be of upstanding moral character, with a thoughtful and reasoned approach to addressing and resolving issues and disputes. She has a practical and level-headed demeanor that would serve her well in the role, and the resilience and tenacity to do a great job as a District Court Judge for many years.

Should you have any questions or require additional follow up, please do not hesitate to contact me at (573) 529-3148 or kate.pitzer@boone.health. Thank you for your time and consideration of her application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kathleen D. Pitzer".

Kathleen D. Pitzer, Director of Legal Services



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October 25, 2021

Judicial Nomination Commission
Office of Court Administrator
P.O. Box 203005
Helena, Montana 59620-3005

Dear Judicial Nomination Commission,

It is with great pride and confidence that I recommend Jeana Lervick for the open seat in the Thirteenth Judicial District. As a middle school principal, I worked closely with Jeana when she was the Director of Human Resources for Billings Public Schools and later when she was in private practice.

I cannot think of a better candidate to be a judge in our community. Jeana is very well respected for her talents as an attorney, being a community advocate and an active parent. As Director of Human Resources with a legal background, Jeana guided the school board and administration through some very difficult negotiations with unions, employees, and the community. Jeana was clear, concise, and articulate in her reasoning when advising us as to the best course of action. Jeana is measured and balanced in her approach to situations, instilling confidence in those around her. I see Jeana as timely, fair, honest, and deliberate in her decision making. She played an essential role advising a large school district because her approach to situations is characterized by hard work and personal integrity.

Jeana demonstrates dedication and determination in all chosen endeavors. Task oriented, Jeana can handle her workload as Chief Deputy County Attorney, volunteer at her sons' school, teach religious education and serve on youth athletics boards in service to her community. She is highly organized and calmly professional at all times. I admire that she can juggle her busy life and maintain a great sense of humor as she does it.

Judges are high profile in our communities. Jeana has a talent for establishing strong relationships, working collaboratively and inspiring confidence in people, processes, and programs. I believe our judiciary needs that type of person as a judge in the Thirteenth District.

If I can be of any service as you consider candidates, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

Shaun Harrington, President
Billings Catholic School

Dear Governor Gianforte,

I am writing in support of Jeana Lervick for appointment as judge. As head coach of the Billings Scarlets American Legion baseball club, and a local business owner, I can say with certainty that Jeana is an asset to our community and the ideal candidate for judge.

Over the years I have known Jeana to be committed to our community without fail. She volunteers at every opportunity. I have seen Jeana bring people together to resolve issues and work together for the good of many children. She is logical, kind and not afraid to get into the middle of an issue to reach resolution. We are fortunate to have her involved and our community is fortunate to have her leadership and skill.

Jeana has the mentality, the strength and the compassion to be a terrific judge. I highly recommend her for the position.

Thank you,

Adam Hust

October 18, 2021

Attn: Hannah Slusser
Governor's Office
PO Box 200801
Helena, MT 59620

RE: Letter of Recommendation for Jeana R. Lervick, candidate for Thirteenth Judicial District Judgeship

Dear Ms. Hannah Slusser:

I would like to offer my support of Jeana R. Lervick's application to become an Associate Judge of the Thirteenth Judicial District, Yellowstone County of Montana. I believe that Ms. Lervick has demonstrated a commitment to the law from varying legal fields, from representing large corporations in complex patent issues, to public service law that impacts the people of Montana, to pro bono advocacy for those of limited means, that make her an ideal candidate.

I have known Ms. Lervick since we both attended law school together, and we have maintained a friendship over the past 20-years. Ms. Lervick is a loyal friend to many people, and I think all would agree that she is intelligent, has a good sense of humor, has interests outside of the law, and is dedicated to her family. In addition, she is reliable and compassionate.

Ms. Lervick and I were also colleagues at an intellectual property boutique law firm in Chicago, where she capably handled cases that required analysis of complicated legal issues. During this time period, I saw firsthand that Ms. Lervick has a keen legal mind, excellent communication skills and is extremely organized.

I hope that you will appoint Jeana Lervick to the Thirteenth Judicial District Judgeship.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura R. Wanek

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Dear Governor Gianforte,

My name is Jeff Ballard. We met in my office here in Billings several years ago. I appreciate all the hard work you are doing for the state of Montana. I write today to support the appointment of Jeana Lervick as District Court Judge in the Thirteenth Circuit.

I've known Jeana for several years and I've known her father even longer. I have always enjoyed my time around her. In my experience, she demonstrates the demeanor, ability and compassion that is required from our judges. Jeana is always willing to help our community and I have seen her passion for others in all that she does. She is rational and is willing to speak out when she believes injustice occurs. I have seen her approach problems without judgment and work toward resolving issues in a fair fashion. Above all, she is highly competent.

Jeana is an excellent candidate for the position of judge, and I hope that you consider her tremendous qualifications. If you need any information from me, I will be more than happy to speak with you.

Sincerely,

Jeff Ballard

Slusser, Hannah

From: Cozzens, Jessica MD <JCozzens@billingsclinic.org>
Sent: Saturday, October 16, 2021 8:03 AM
To: NominateJudges
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Letter in Support of Jeana Lervick

Dear Governor Gianforte,

My name is Jessica Cozzens, I am a family physician in Billings who was raised in Billings and have now been back here practicing medicine for over a decade. I am writing to wholeheartedly support the appointment of Jeana Lervick as District Court Judge in the Thirteenth Circuit.

I have known Jeana for more than 30 years; we met in 7th grade and have remained close ever since. I have always known her to demonstrate the demeanor, ability and compassion that is required from our judges. Jeana is always willing to help our community and I have seen her passion for others in all that she does; this was true when she served as an athletic trainer in high school, when she volunteered to provide free legal help in law school, and throughout her law career in her various positions. She is rational and is willing to speak out when she sees injustice, and has a profound respect for the law. I will never forget a conversation we had when she was home on winter break of her first year of law school, and she remarked to me how truly just laws were as written. I have seen her approach problems without judgment and work toward resolving issues in a fair fashion.

I have no doubt that Jeana would make an incredible judge; she is an excellent candidate, and I hope that you consider her tremendous qualifications. I would be happy to speak with you if you have any questions or need additional information from me.

Sincerely,

Jessica Cozzens, MD MPH (She/Her)
Billings Clinic Family Medicine
Chief Medical Information Officer for Primary Care



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10-13-2021

Dear Governor Gianforte,

My wife, Cyndy, and I are supporters of you Governorship. We have attended several of your functions here in Billings as well as the Republican Governor's get together at your home in Bozeman. I write today to support the appointment of Jeana Lervick as District Court Judge in the Thirteenth Circuit.

I have known Jeana for the past several years, through youth sports. Jeana is always willing to help our community and I have seen her passion for others in all that she does. She is rational and is willing to speak out when she believes injustice occurs. I have seen her approach problems without judgment and work toward resolving issues in a fair fashion and believe that she has the ability, temperament and moral character to be an exceptional judge.

Jeana is an excellent candidate for the position of judge, and I hope that you consider her tremendous qualifications. If you need any information from me, I will be more than happy to speak with you.

Best Regards,

Jody Desin

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of the
Mavericks

October 14, 2021

Dear Committee,

This recommendation is written on behalf of Ms. Jeana Lervick for the position of District Judgeship (Thirteenth Judicial District). I have known Ms. Lervick for the past five years as she served as the legal counsel for our school district. At that time she was an attorney with Felt, Martin, Frazier and Weldon and I was the superintendent of schools for the Miles City Unified School District.

Ms. Lervick was the lead attorney on one of the highest profile cases for Montana schools in the past few years, the James "Doc" Jensen, Custer County High School District v. 32 John Doe plaintiffs. The cases made both state and national news and was very substantial, sensitive and intricate. Ms. Lervick handled this situation impeccably. She was able to continually balance public perception for the case against the legal realities involved. Ms. Lervick did a tremendous job representing our district, winning several, actually all, of the summary judgements made during her tenure as our lead. Ms. Lervick was always fair and rationale in all counsel and had no problem being "tough" at times whether with our side or the opposing attorneys. She was patient, understanding and extremely even-mannered and controlled even under the most emotional of circumstance.

Personally, I found Ms. Lervick to be sensitive to the matter at hand which was extremely important in such a delicate matter but she was also extremely professional, intuitive and adept. I do not feel as though the district could have been better represented and our board of trustees all felt exactly the same way. She has a way of relating to people that not only gets them to open up and trust her but an unbelievable air of confidence that confirms that very same feeling. As one of my board members accurately described her as "one of the few attorneys that I have met worth a damn, with real courage and grit". Her passion and dedication to client and case is to be highly commended.

I strongly recommend Ms. Jeana Lervick for the position of District Judgeship as she would be a strong, just, and skillful candidate. If you have any further questions regarding Ms. Lervick, do not hesitate to contact me at any time. Thank you for your consideration and time in reviewing this recommendation

Sincerely



Keith Campbell
Superintendent

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