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To Whom It May Concern:

It is my pleasure to write this recommendation for Marjorie Zantingh as she prepares to leave our program the Educational Diagnostic Center and offer her generous professional expertise in a new setting. Since January 2001, Ms Zantingh has provided expert volunteer instructional support to De Anza college students in the disability resource programs who have, by the nature of their disabilities, needed specialized tutorials in all levels of mathematics offered at the College.

Marjorie quickly established herself as a professional volunteer of the highest caliber. Immediately, as students learned of her skill, empathy and enthusiasm they began to regularly seek her assistance in our drop in laboratory. Marjorie's educational background and experience in mathematics, psychology and specialized learning strategies gives her a breadth of expertise that is not easy to find in post secondary education. If she had been able to be employed in the US at the time, we would very much like to have hired her as a member of our team.

In addition to her generous donation of time and talent, Marjorie served as a role model of courage and tenacity for staff and students alike. She bravely launched herself into the instructional process with a limited English proficiency and an open willingness to take risks in a new cultural and language skill environment while at the same time giving of her educational expertise.

On behalf of our staff and students, I would like to express my sincere gratitude for the time Marjorie so generously gave us and wish her the greatest professional success in whatever area of education she pursues. We, of course, after seeing her work at De Anza would hope that she consider a career at the community college if she remains in the United States.

Please call if I can be of further assistance.

Sincere

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Director

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