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November 7, 2014

RE: Perri Kruse Recommendation

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to recommend Perri Kruse for a position within your organization.

I came to know Ms. Perri as her direct supervisor when she interned for DC SAFE the summer of 2014. At DC SAFE interns are required to do the same tasks as paid advocates, with an On-Call Advocacy Program (OCAP) advocate, Perri had the responsibility of providing immediate crisis intervention to domestic violence survivors. These roles included but are not limited to, coordinating and advocating for emergency shelter, providing tangible resources, safety planning, emergency financial assistance, and explaining the general court process for applying for Protection orders against offenders. OCAP advocates also assist and collaborate closely with Metropolitan Police Department officers and detectives in seeking resources, protection orders, and legal options for domestic violence survivors.

Perri also facilitated partnerships between DC SAFE and most of Washington DC's major criminal justice and social service organizations through her work in the Lethality Assessment Project (LAP). LAP ensures that survivors of domestic violence who are at greatest risk of serious assault or homicide are prioritized by service providers to ensure any barriers to that survivor's safety are reduced or eliminated. Perri has gained extensive experience in coalition building, organizational advocacy, and outreach in a supervised and collaborative environment.

Perri has taken initiative in her desire to learn both the science and public policy surrounding domestic violence. Furthermore, Perri continually worked on developing her soft skills, such as creating rapport with clients from diverse cultural and socio economic backgrounds. Perri was regularly required to operate independently and at times with minimal supervision. In fact, when I needed to take family leave from DC SAFE, Perri took charge of the day to day administration of the project. Perri's professional and positive attitude has been an asset to our agency, and will be appreciated in her future endeavors.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your time and attention to this very important matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Kameron Cox', is written over the printed name.

Kameron Cox

Senior Advocate, SAFE Inc.



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