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To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that I write a letter of recommendation for Mallory Goetz as a candidate for a teacher librarian or informational literacy position. I have been supervising Mallory in her role as the secondary librarian since September 2016, as the Director of Teaching and learning at the American School of Barcelona.

Mallory is a highly skilled, conscientious, and caring teacher and librarian. She has been integral in integrating research skills in all classes: teaching and co-planning lessons as well as developing a school wide informational literacy and research scope and sequence. With Mallory's IB experience, she has been instrumental in teaching and supporting students with the IB extended essay.

Mallory has also brought outstanding school wide programs such as the One School, One Book, initiative, to ASB. As a part of this project, she organized a school wide read of the book *A Long Walk to Water* and then invited the author to visit ASB. She worked with teachers to plan interdisciplinary projects connected to the text. It was a highly successful school community event. She also collaborated with local international schools to bring the middle school lit quiz to ASB, which allowed students from neighboring schools to share in their love and knowledge of good literature.

Mallory is a strong advocate for the library; managing, ordering and overseeing the collection of books and resources. Mallory is a true professional and a strong team player. She communicates effectively with teachers, families and students. She is organized, reflective, intelligent, thoughtful and has a great sense of humor. She has been a wonderful addition to our staff and she will be missed.

Most importantly, Mallory cares about kids and loves what she does. Mallory would be a great addition to any school staff. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any further questions.

Sincerely,

A blue ink handwritten signature, appearing to read 'Johanna Cena', written over a horizontal line.

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