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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to encourage your selection of Lathrop Construction for your classroom construction project. They have been working on my campus for over a year now and I have nothing but good things to say about their professionalism and the work that they have done. When we begin new construction projects in our next bond program, I will advocate for them to be brought back to do the work.

From the time that I started working with Lathrop staff, I have been impressed by their ability to work with a range of people. They had representatives join our planning meeting with the architects and a variety of school and district staff. They were able to contribute to these meetings by using their range of experiences on previous projects. Once construction started and more Lathrop staff began working on our campus, they continued to show the ability to work with various others to ensure that the job moved smoothly. Working with subcontractors to district staff along with our site staff, all while recognizing that ours is a busy campus with 2000 students, Lathrop staff have been able to keep the project moving effectively forward. From the time they demolished our old buildings, they have been hyper vigilant to manage the work so that it is of top quality but also minimizes the impact on our staff and students. Building on an active site is so much different than building something from scratch and Lathrop staff realize this and do all that they can to help with it.

As I watch our new building near completion, I am also very impressed with their quality of work. Lathrop staff are able to take the design plans and implement them exceptionally well. They are also able to see unexpected challenges in the plans as they come up and work with us to figure out the best way to move forward. Never have I felt that they were trying to sell us anything to increase their profit margin. My experience has been that they are really looking out for us to make the building the best it can possibly be. I really appreciate that they take pride and ownership in the work and they want ours to be a building that, if they were to drive by sometime in the future, they would proudly say, "I was a part of making that happen." Any time I have any questions about the work being done, they take the time to explain what is happening and why in a way that makes sense to someone without a background in construction.

I cannot wait for the building to be completed in the next few months. I know that part of this excitement is tied to the experience of working with Lathrop. They have really made, what could have been a burden, into a great experience with, what I expect to be a great result. I know that there are other qualified firms out there, but I can't imagine one providing a better overall experience than what we have seen from Lathrop. If you need more information or would like to ask me any questions, feel free to contact me. I have lots of good things to say about Lathrop.

Sincerely,

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