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To whom it may concern:

Please consider this letter to be an unconditional recommendation of Professor Elizabeth Hanly for a position on your faculty.

Professor Hanly's efforts in teaching, service and creative activity at Florida International University and at other universities have been provocative, well conceived, and accessible. Professor Hanly has been involved in an effective and aggressive agenda in the teaching of writing strategies at FIU for several years, a course that serves as the "front porch" for the nearly 2,000 communication majors at the university. She earns extremely high marks from students and faculty alike.

At FIU and other institutions, she has developed a teaching repertoire that would be an asset to any program in the country. Her courses are rigorous, always demanding the most of students. Her energy and zeal for teaching and learning are refreshing. On a number of occasions, I have received voluntary verbal testimonials about her classroom performance. Most just want to say thanks, but a few credit Professor Hanly with changing their world view or enriching and fortifying their passion for the field.

Professor Hanly is actively involved in organizations that advance and enrich higher education. I believe she has great potential to lead faculty in innovative directions. Most important, she is an excellent faculty colleague who values collaborative efforts.

I believe Professor Hanly's record thus far meets or exceeds expectations in every category. I highly commend her dossier to your attention. If you hire her, you will not be disappointed. If search committee members wish to discuss this letter in more detail, please give me a call at 305.919.4430 or you can reach me on e-mail at blevensf@fiu.edu.

Best wishes,

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