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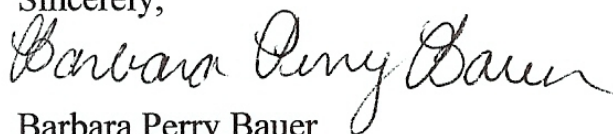
To Whom It May Concern:

This is a letter of support for Mr. Doug Stanweins, a teacher at Timberline High School in Boise, Idaho. Last year my daughter was in Mr. Stanweins' 11<sup>th</sup> grade Advanced Placement (AP) History class. She came home from her first class and talked about what Mr. Stanweins had planned for her class. One special project the class would work on was the Boise Architecture Project. The project involves the students in documenting Boise's historic and contemporary architecture.

As a parent, I was impressed by Mr. Stanweins' passion for teaching and the innovation he brought to his classroom. AP classes utilize a standard format, geared toward a test for college credit. Mr. Stanweins followed the rigorous AP curriculum, but broadened his students' experience with the Boise Architecture Project. The project integrated traditional documentary research, oral history, photography, art and other disciplines. My daughter and her classmates learned that history is not memorizing dates and political events, but encompasses a much larger range of human experience.

In addition to being a wonderful and inspirational teacher, I also believe that Mr. Stanweins is a true friend of historic preservation. Through the Boise Architecture Project he is bringing an appreciation of it to a new generation of students, some of whom may be inspired to pursue the preservation of buildings and neighborhoods in the communities where they choose to live. I hope that you consider Mr. Stanweins for this award.

Sincerely,



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