Dear Mr. & Mrs. Spruel,

I am a teacher assistant affiliated with the College of Education at Grand Valley State University. This semester I was assigned to assist Mr. Dodge in his 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Algebra classes at Muskegon High School. I have had an opportunity to work closely with your granddaughter, Nila. I am writing this letter to make you aware of how proud I am of Nila .When I began my teaching assistance position at Muskegon High School, I was really impressed with the ambitions your granddaughter demonstrated in the classroom. I instantly noticed her drive and determination to academically succeed in the classroom.

I strongly believe Nila has a lot of potential for success. Over the semester, I'm glad to inform you that she has made tremendous strides as they academically succeed in Algebra. She has been turning in all of her assignments and I really noticed the pride as she advanced through the semester. As part of the academically success, we encouraged frequent questioning sessions and found that Nila always asked the appropriate questions to receive extra support from the classroom. This reinforced her understanding of the learning material. I'm very proud of Nila as you should be too.

I feel your granddaughter has a great deal of potential. I will continue to encourage her and hope that you can reinforce them as well. I believe that Nila has a bright future and it was a great privilege to assist her in the classroom. I feel that with all of us working together, Nila will be able to make even greater strides with their education.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. Mitchell Burdick

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