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To Whom It May Concern:

It is my pleasure to provide this letter of recommendation for Dr. Marco Curreli who this past Spring volunteered to work with my chemistry teacher. Our students have greatly benefitted from having the founder and chief development officer of Omni Nano, a non-profit organization devoted to nanotechnology education, connect what is being taught in the classroom to the real-world.

We were very impressed by Dr. Curreli's innovative style of teaching and his ability to engage students. He has an unsurpassed ability to make the connection between basic science and modern technology. Students were not only impressed with Dr. Curreli's ability to teach, but also captivated by the guest speakers within the nanotechnology industry that he brought to them via Skype. Students were excited to learn how to use software such as Excel to perform complex calculations and observe graphical trends.

Dr. Curreli's passion for science, technology and education are commendable and our students responded very well to him. In a poll taken on the first day of class, only about 3% reported that they were considering enrolling in college as STEM majors or seeking STEM professional careers. By the close of the semester that number skyrocketed tenfold to over 30%.

Feel free to contact me if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ezequiel Gonzalez".

Ezequiel Gonzalez  
Principal