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To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter to acknowledge the work that Set Point Tennis has done in collaboration with Goodwill GoodGuides Youth Mentoring Program.

Set Point Tennis provided mentoring to youth in at risk situations between the ages of 12-17 during the school year and summer of 2011. Many of the youth come from low-income, single parent homes and have not been exposed before to the sport of tennis. One of the purposes of the class was to infuse life skills through the sport of tennis. Tennis was utilized as a conduit to teach life skills, and educational programming to teach program participants the essence of establishing a choice for future career development.

During the tennis classes the youth received an educational program which included topics such as: banking and finance, the importance of education and networking, jobs and job interviews, alumni associations, leadership, community service, safety, crime prevention, drugs and goal setting. The youth also interacted with 23 high school and college tennis players who served as mentors discussing and reinforcing the themes from the educational programs. In addition, the mentors assisted on the court with Quick Start tennis drills and matches.

A great number of participants benefited from the tennis classes and they were well attended. During the summer camp twenty three students attended, including ten females and thirteen males. Twenty one of the students were Hispanics/Latinos, one Asian and one African American.

Feel free to contact me at 484-638-6630 if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

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