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To Whom It May Concern:

I have know and worked closely with Mike Murphy for the past five years. During this time Mike has been Berks County's champion for competitive tennis on public courts. In 2005 Mike's tireless efforts brought about the Gring's Mill County Tennis Championships. This event has grown in participation every year. It now offers 5 USTA sanctioned events. Mike has been instrumental in developing corporate support for this event and several others.

In 2007 Mike was recognized by both the EPD and the BCTA. He was the 2007 BCTA Volunteer of the year; and the EPD's Tournament Director of the Year.

In 2008 with the assistance of the BCTA Mike started the Berks County Boy's Championship an SR-6 event for boy's 18 and under. Mike has formed his own tennis organization *Set Point Tennis* which sponsored the Junior Championship in 2009 and 2010.

Mike has successfully run and grown a USTA Junior team tennis league in Berks County. The junior league stated with just 48 participants to the completion of this year with over 110. Mike conducts 8 week after school tennis clinics for economically challenged children. The clinics are conducted at the Olivet Boys and Girls club at no cost to the students; in addition to tennis each clinic hosts a guest speaker from the community stressing the importance of education and community service.

Mike Murphy is still the hardest working volunteer promoting tennis in Berks County. No one challenges his commitment to growing the sport of tennis. As such, I would not hesitate to recommend Mike's involvement with any area tennis program.

Sincerely,



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