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To Whom It May Concern:

In my opinion, Mike Murphy has done excellent work to raise the level of Berks County tennis and create opportunities to get children more involved with the sport.

Mike, through his non-profit organization Setpointtennis.org, organized youth teams at different age levels. My daughter Devon participated on three of these USTA Junior Teams over the past year. These experiences were fun and rewarding and kept many of these young tennis players engaged in the sport between high school seasons. His commitment and enthusiasm to tennis and helping the youth of our community is apparent as he contributes much of his personal time and resources to make these tournaments happen.

My daughter has also taken individual lessons with Mike over the past year. Mike's knowledge of the game and positive and supportive manner has made a difference in Devon's game. Devon is now in her fourth year as a varsity player on the Holy Name tennis team. She has maintained her number four position on a very competitive team and I think in large part due to Mike's instruction. Devon's play this season has been very good thus far.

Mike's Set Point Tennis Organization is well-run. He takes care of all the details from setting up to providing food and energy drinks to providing team shirts. The only restrictions seem to be getting others to volunteer time and securing financial resources to do even more. The cost to families is affordable for most. But I'm sure there are others who could benefit from Mike's organization to engage kids at an early age if financial support was made available.

If Mike was able to secure additional funds to grow the organization who knows how many other young kids could get hooked on tennis. It's sure better than video games and even worse things that kids get into in this world we now live in. I have been very happy that my daughter got into tennis. It's a great life sport that will help keep her active and introduce her to many good people throughout her life. Tennis players seem to do well in school (my daughter is a top 10 student) and be active in the community.

I hope you give Mike your serious consideration for all of the support, both financial and otherwise, that is possible so other kids can receive the same or better experiences my daughter had. Whatever financial support you provide will be well spent.

Sincerely,

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