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Mr. Stan Ward
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RE: Paris Elementary School

Dear Stan,

Aurora Public schools would like to express our appreciation for the professional manner in which Ward Construction completed our award winning, *(2006 Peak Design Award, Excellence in Design of New Construction, Council of Educational Facility Planners, International)* 48,000 sf, 6.3 million dollar Paris Elementary School on time and within our budget while maintaining a high level of quality.

Throughout the construction process, we found Ward Construction to be very honest and conscientious. In addition, we would like to acknowledge your foresight to assign two superintendents (one for the site and one for the building) towards the end of our project in order to ensure the project completion date would be met.

Finally, we appreciated the effort Ward Construction made in evaluating and contesting change order pricing prior to submitting. We find this to be a rare service among general contractors. The entire management staff of Ward Construction handled this project very well and played a significant role in the success of the project. Thank you for your efforts!

Sincerely,

David Elisberg

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Letter of Recommendation:

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To Whom It May Concern

This letter serves to commend Ward Construction for their efforts in delivering the new Paris Elementary School for Aurora Public Schools. The realization of the 3-story, 48,000 SF urban school has transformed its community. A building comprised of modest materials and articulation, the school's success in delivering a moral boost to the neighborhood is due to no small effort on the part of Ward Construction in focusing their attention to construction and management detail.

It goes without saying that what we collectively do as designers and builders is difficult, and it is quite common for these professionals to find themselves at odds with each other during the process. Ours was not void of such moments, but they were infrequent and productive. We appreciated the professionalism, candor and honesty exercised throughout the entire construction activity. I was particularly impressed with the manner in which Ward Construction took ownership of the group of subcontractors performing the work and holding them to a high standard of care and delivery for the project - this was leadership at its finest.

It is clear to us the integrity Ward Construction carries with them at all times. Having worked with them on previous projects, we were excited to find them at the table ready to construct Paris. As expected, we were not disappointed and we look forward to future opportunities to collaborate with them.

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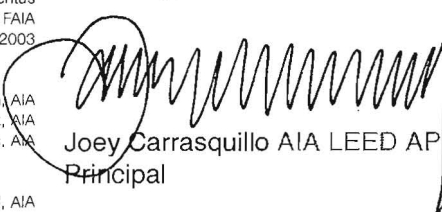
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