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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter as a testimonial to the great affect that the Boys and Girls (B&G) Club has had on my daughter, Jayla [REDACTED]. Jayla and I moved to Grenada in 2010 and at that time, she began attending the B&G Club. Jayla was about 9 years old and I thought the Club would be a great place for her to get involved in activities and meet new friends. The Club turned out to be just that! Not only did the Club help my daughter come out of her shell, it also made her realize her true leadership potential. As the years passed, Jayla began tutoring and mentoring other kids at the Club.

Jayla is now, 17 years old, and a Senior at Grenada High School. She has excelled academically and is currently ranked #5 out of 275 students. She is also involved in many extracurricular activities. She is the Point-Guard for the Grenada High School Lady Chargers and she is the Section Leader of the Trombone Section in the Grenada High School Band. She is also involved in the Youth Ministry at our church, Burning Bush.

With a 28 ACT score, Jayla has been accepted into the University of Mississippi, where she plans to major in Health & Exercise Science. Her interest is Sports Medicine and she hopes to combine her love for athletics with her desire to perform medicine.

In summary, I believe that the Boys and Girls Club – especially the Grenada unit, has had a great influence on my daughter and our community. I am extremely proud of all of my daughter's accomplishments and I owe that in part to the Boys and Girls Club. I highly recommend the Club to other young people as an outlet where they can learn, grow, and get involved in the community. In order to invest in our community, we must invest in our youth. A wise man once said, "Our youth of today are the leaders of tomorrow" (Nelson Mandela).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone at: [REDACTED]

Sincerely,

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