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To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to personally recommend Cecilia for the Chicano Latino Youth Leadership Project. Cecilia is an intelligent young woman with a strong sense of self, great care for others and the ability to lead. Having previously participated in the CLYLP program at UCLA last year, Cecilia greatly desires to build upon her involvement and professional development this year in Sacramento. I am confident that Cecilia would make a wonderful addition to your program and it would benefit her greatly.

As Cecilia's Yoga Advisor and a teacher at her high school, I have proudly witnessed her take initiative in many instances and step up as a role model for her peers. Cecilia is actively involved in many activities including: College Bound Prep, the Prom Committee, Cheerleading and Yoga. Based on her proven leadership and professional attributes, she has also been selected for the Washington D.C. Team at our school, to travel as an ambassador to DC in the spring. Additionally, she was chosen for the CIA (Capture, Identify, Act) Team, which serves our school by creating and producing self-esteem and culture-building programs for the student body. Her involvement goes beyond mere participation, however, because in all of these activities, she serves in a leadership capacity to motivate and encourage her peers.

Cecilia should be chosen for this opportunity because she will bring a spark and energy to the program, as she does wherever she is present. She is committed to attending a four-year university and attaining a great career, which is why the CLYLP is so important to her. Above all, her dedication and perseverance will come through everyday in her work with others and her individual contributions. Cecilia is one of the most hardworking students I have come across, and I have no doubt that this will take her far in this program and in life.

Please accept my recommendation for Cecilia and feel free to contact with me if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

Ms. Rebecca Lewis