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To Whom It May Concern,

It is with the upmost pleasure that I am writing this letter to you on behalf of Mike Marsteller. A few parents who knew him first hand recommended Mike to me. In our first face-to-face meeting, I immediately could tell that Mike was a very genuine individual. It was obvious that he truly wanted to use his life experiences to help others who are struggling and confronted with issues that are impeding their ability to be as successful as they can be in life. For that reason, Mrs. Michelle Minotti and I decided that we'd be privileged to have Mike speak to Parkland Middle School parents at our evening Parent University program and wanted to incorporate him into our big Bullying Kickoff event at the start of the 2014-2015 school year.

For our bullying kickoff event, all 2200 middle school students were bused to Parkland High School. Mike was the keynote speaker for the event and did an outstanding job providing students with a message that allowed students to not only be able to identify what bullying is, but also students were made aware of the skills necessary to more effectively deal with bullying situations. His message was filled with life lessons and was delivered in a manner that sent a powerful message to all students as they progress throughout their lives.

Mike's passion for his work is profound. He cares tremendously for young people and the community. For example, on the morning of our kickoff event, he found out that we were doing a fundraiser later that night for a family impacted by cancer. As a result, Mike adjusted his plans and stayed in the area, participated in the fundraiser, and donated on behalf of his non-profit organization. In my opinion, this is a true testament to his character. He is the epitome of a class act.

Every student should hear Mike's message about resilience and kindness. It is with the highest regard that I recommend Mike Marsteller to your school, student conference, or youth program.

Sincerely,