



## THE SCHOOL BOARD OF SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA

VENICE HIGH SCHOOL

#1 INDIAN AVENUE

VENICE, FLORIDA 34285

October 9, 2017

### **Recommendation on behalf of Claire Ellis**

I am writing in support of Claire Ellis' candidacy as an applicant for the Environmental Advisory Board for the City of Venice. I have had the pleasure of knowing Claire for the past school year as her Principal. In the time I have known her, she has demonstrated a strong sense of dedication and commitment to her academic achievement and involvement in our school's community. She is fully realizing her academic potential as evidenced by her taking on a highly challenging Advanced Placement courses and International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme with a cumulative 4.84 weighted grade point average.

Claire is a well-rounded individual who has several interests outside of her academic endeavors. At Venice High School, she serves as the Secretary of Junior Class in Student Government, Secretary of Speech and Debate Club, Treasurer of Girl Up Club, Public Relations Coordinator of Rho Kappa Social Studies Honor Society, regional champion on our Academic Olympics team, and a member of the Principal's Cabinet. In her free time, she has accumulated hundreds of community service hours volunteering for the Spanish teacher at Venice Elementary since her Freshman year. Also, she volunteers at Venice's Teen Court Program as a Teen Attorney.

I feel very confident that Claire will be extremely successful in all future endeavors she takes on and I fully endorse her candidacy for this wonderful learning opportunity. Please do not hesitate to contact me on her behalf.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "ETJ", is written over a faint, circular official stamp.

Eric T. Jackson

Principal

Venice High School