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Truckee Meadows Community College

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FROM: Rossitza Todorova, Professor of Art

To the Washoe County School District Hiring Committee,

I am very pleased to recommend Rachel Lopez, who came to Truckee Meadows Community College to complete coursework required for her teaching certification. Rachel has been an absolute pleasure to have in class and quickly became an invaluable member of our Visual Arts community.

During her time at TMCC, Rachel took on a leadership role as President of the TMCC Art Club, successfully organizing the club and leading a variety of hands-on art workshops. These included journal making, cyanotype photography, laser cutting, and negative-space watercolor. She demonstrated strong organizational skills, creativity, and an exceptional ability to make all participants feel welcome, included, and supported.

Rachel was also hired by our department to work in the Visual Arts administrative office. In this role, she assisted with student needs, ordered supplies, managed schedules, and handled a wide range of administrative responsibilities. She approached this work with professionalism, reliability, and attention to detail, consistently exceeding expectations.

Rachel has a broad base of knowledge in art, art-making processes, tools, and curriculum development. She is an excellent classroom leader who brings thoughtful ideas and has the skills to execute them effectively. Her ability to balance structure with creativity makes her especially well-suited for teaching in a K–12 setting.

I am confident that Rachel would be a wonderful art teacher in the Washoe County School District. She brings enthusiasm, competence, and genuine care for students and community, and I recommend her without hesitation.

Please feel free to contact me if you require any additional information at 775-338-5449 or rtodorova@tmcc.edu.

Sincerely,

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