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Letter of Recommendation
National Middle School Association
Board of Trustees

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NMSA Elections Committee
4151 Executive Parkway, Suite 300
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Dear Elections Committee:

I am writing this letter of recommendation for Dr. Sharon Riley Ordu, candidate for the position of Trustee to Represent Diverse Cultures on the National Middle School Association's Board of Trustees.

I have known Sharon for several years now and she has a true passion for Middle Level Education. Her contributions in Georgia have been many. She currently serves as a Regional Metro Liaison on the Georgia Middle School Association Board of Directors. I first met Sharon when she brought a group of Atlanta middle school principals to Crabapple Middle School for a site visit to learn about best practices and share ideas. At the time Sharon was heading the Middle School Reform initiative in the Atlanta Public Schools.

Since that time, Sharon has gone on to be elected to a three year term on the National Middle School Association Board of Trustees, she has volunteered numerous hours as a Georgia Lighthouse Schools to Watch site team member, and continues to support the annual Georgia Middle School Association conference as a board member and presenter. Last year, the conference attendance was boosted as a result of her leadership. Over 50 educators from the Atlanta Public Schools attended our conference and some were presenters as well. I support Sharon in her bid to be re-elected to the NMSA Board of Trustees.

Sincerely,

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