To Whom It May Concern,

It is with great pride that I am writing this letter of recommendation for Maria Ruelaz. I have been her softball coach and teacher for the past few years where I have been extremely impressed by this young lady both on and off of the field. She has demonstrated an outstanding work ethic, and an ability to rise to the occasion in competition. This work ethic and competitive nature is apparent in her academic pursuits as well. Maria is an intelligent student athlete who is not afraid to face challenges head on. She will continue to excel in school, and beyond as a result of this unique defining characteristic. I am truly blessed to work with and coach such a wonderful young lady. Maria is applying for scholarships to continue her pursuit of academic and or athletic excellence, which I am confident she will achieve regardless of program requirements. This young lady is internally motivated and thrives on overcoming obstacles in any form. She is an inspiring leader on our team, leading both by direction and example. It is without hesitation that I strongly recommend her for any assistance you may be able to afford her in this effort.

Maria Ruelaz was voted most valuable player for the 2023 softball season, where she was a vital part of the team's success in winning the class AAAA state championship. She was our lead off batter boasting a .577 batting average. She led our team with On Base Percentage of .633, and scored 58 runs on 60 hits this season. With a Slugging Percentage of 1.028, and an astonishing 12 triples, along with 12 stolen bases demonstrates her power and speed offensively. Defensively her natural position is Shortstop, but she is the best player in any position on the field with the exception of pitcher. All of this talent is

only outshined by her academic excellence currently holding a 4.143 GPA. She is a member of NHS and is an active member of Harvest Fellowship Church. Needless to say this fine young lady would be a truly valuable addition to any organization, she is one of the special ones that will shine bright wherever she lands.

Thank you for your consideration, Silver High School Softball Coach, Mr. Duane D. Trewern