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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter of recommendation in support of Mr. Mike Ward's nomination for the Michigan Council of Social Studies Teacher of the Year Award.

I have known Mr. Ward for the past 15 years, as a fellow teacher and administrator at the secondary level. During that period I worked very closely with him in and out of the classroom and on various flipped learning projects. As a result, I have become very familiar with Mr. Ward as a teacher. Accordingly, I am writing this because it is my sincere belief that he is eminently qualified to be a recipient of this prestigious award.

For the past 15 years, Mr. Ward has demonstrated to me time and again that he is an exceptional communicator and gifted teacher. In my opinion, he is the perfect model for a teacher in a "flipped" school. He is a highly dedicated professional who knows how to motivate his students to strive for excellence. Both in the classroom and in person, Mr. Ward is a dynamic and powerful communicator who possesses the gift of being able to make complex subjects understandable. In spite of these formidable gifts, he is a humble and approachable person who loves to share his extensive knowledge with others, his students in particular. Mike has played a major role in helping us promote the flipped classroom and school model at Clintondale High School and to others around the world.

In closing, it is with sincere conviction that I enthusiastically recommend that Mr. Mike Ward be selected as a recipient of the 2013 Michigan Council for Social Studies Teacher of the Year Award. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns at 586-791-6301 ext. 2003. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Gregory B. Green

Principal

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