Graduate School of Education University at Buffalo The State University of New York

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Department of Modern and Classical Languages:

It is my pleasure to write this letter in support of Mr. Jose Pérez, who is applying for a teaching position at your institution. I have interacted with Mr. Pérez as a graduate student in the Department of Learning and Instruction at the University at Buffalo. Since I met him, Mr. Pérez has impressed me for his diligence, politeness and kind manners.

Mr. Pérez has expressed his interest in creating programs for k-12 students to help them develop skills, dexterities, and cognitive abilities. His is bilingual (Spanish and English) with expertise in Computer software and hardware, Career and Technical Education (CTE) and the field of STEM.

José has obtained three bachelor degrees; the first, in Computer Information System from a university in Venezuela, the second in Career and Technical Education from Buffalo State College and the third one, also in Buffalo State College, in Spanish Literature. In addition, he has a Master's in Science degree in Career and Technical Education. Presently he is enrolled in the Ph.D. in CISL in the Department of Learning and Instruction. José is very excited with the possibility to teach again in college and, in the near future, to develop Spanish STEM and CTE career opportunity courses for bilingual students.

The position that he is pursuing at Buffalo State University College is teaching Spanish 301 that it is an intermediate-high level Spanish language with exploration in Spanish speaking cultures. He is an experienced teacher and instructor of Spanish with a native Spanish proficiency and the ability to teach different SPA levels including Spanish Literature. Although I have not observed him teaching, the positive feedback received from his colleagues attest to his experience and excellent teaching skills.

Academically, he has demonstrated excellent Spanish writing and oral skills, superior analytical skills, and vast knowledge of his field. At the personal level, Jose is articulate, friendly and gets along with his colleagues very well. His recommendations attest to his good teaching skills with promising scholarly potential.

In summary, I recommend him for a teaching position. I urge you consider his application, as I believe that he will be a great asset to your institution.

If you would like further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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