To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to express my enthusiastic support for Dr. Daphne King's nomination for the Online Teaching Excellence Award (OTEA). As a former online student of Dr. King, I had the privilege of experiencing firsthand her exceptional dedication to teaching and her unwavering commitment to the success of her students.

During my time as Dr. King's student, I found her online courses to be engaging, well-organized, and intellectually stimulating. Despite the challenges of the online learning environment, Dr. King demonstrated a remarkable ability to create a sense of community among her students, fostering meaningful discussions and encouraging collaboration. Her adept use of technology and innovative teaching methods not only facilitated effective learning but also inspired a genuine enthusiasm for the subject matter.

Dr. King's approach to online teaching was characterized by her accessibility, responsiveness, and genuine concern for the well-being of her students. She consistently went above and beyond to provide personalized feedback, guidance, and support, ensuring that each student felt valued and empowered in their educational journey. Her mentorship was instrumental in shaping my academic and professional development, and I am deeply grateful for the impact she has had on my life.

In addition to her outstanding instructional abilities, Dr. King's passion for continuous improvement and her advocacy for inclusive and equitable online education are truly commendable. Her dedication to staying abreast of best practices in online teaching and her efforts to create an inclusive and supportive learning environment exemplify her commitment to excellence.

It is my firm belief that Dr. Daphne King exemplifies the qualities of an exceptional online educator and is highly deserving of the Online Teaching Excellence Award. Her impact on her students and her contributions to the field of online education are truly remarkable, and I am confident that her receipt of this prestigious award would be a well-deserved recognition of her exemplary work.

Thank you for considering my endorsement of Dr. King's nomination. Please feel free to reach out to me if you require any further information regarding my experience as her student.

Sincerely,

Lila Elliott, GMU MSW '2023' Graduate

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