## Melanie Kareem Middle Eastern Dance School

## "Serving Topanga since 1998"

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To Whom It May Concern,

I have been a very active in the community of Topanga, California both socially and professionally for over 20 years. I served as president of Topanga Chamber of Commerce and have operated my own Dance School here since 1998. Over 1,500 women and girls have studied dance during this time.

I met Grace Driscoll in 2001, when her parents brought her to my school. Even at four years old Grace's demeanor was peaceful within herself, while at the same time mindful and caring of the needs of others around her.

She has always had an abundance of sweetness to give. People gravitated towards her to soak in some of the intrinsic calming vibrations that emanate from her.

I could always see the effect on Grace of having parents who frequently volunteered and ministered to those in need. When Grace helped me teach the younger girls, she was smart about anticipating what would be helpful and also devoted with me towards the goal of instilling a sense of well being in every student she came in contact with.

Not too many people have been naturally gifted with such a wealth of sensitivity towards others and a personal standard that motivated them to be in action to make the world a better place, but Grace Driscoll is one of them. Any institute of learning would be lucky to have her.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me anytime.

Sincerely,

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