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Applicant: Lisa Le

Dear admissions committee.

It is my pleasure to write a letter of recommendation for Lisa Le. As a solo practitioner with almost 30 years of experience, I have mentored and trained many prospective dentists, dental hygienists, and dental assistants. Lisa is, without a doubt, one of the most impressive dental hygiene students I have had the pleasure of working with.

Lisa started working in our office as a dental assistant in March of 2021. When hiring for this position, I was extremely selective in the decision-making process. In a short amount of time, she has proven to be an incredible asset to my team. It is readily apparent that Lisa is a fast learner. As a general dentist who specializes in implants and oral surgery, these procedures can be especially intricate. Lisa's ability to master new skills in a short amount of time has made her indispensable to the team, as she can now assist in a various procedure such as, fillings, prepping/cementing crowns, root canals, extractions, the Chao pinhole gum rejuvenation technique, implant surgeries, bridges, and Invisalign. She has demonstrated excellent manual dexterity which will prove to be an asset in dental hygiene school and her future. She is outstanding in dental photography, as we take pre-op and post-op photos of all our cosmetic and surgical cases. She is also quite skilled in taking alginate and P.V.S. impressions with little to no assistance. Her fine motor skills are obvious in assisting with sutures, extractions, and cementing crowns. She takes detailed notes, asks questions, and is dedicated to fully learning and understanding each technique and the overall treatment for the patient. Her talent and proactive commitment to excel will make her an exceptional dental hygiene student.

I have been very impressed with the manner in which Lisa interacts with the patients at the office. She is very comforting, nurturing, and very aware of the patients' needs. Lisa is an individual who truly cares about a patients' well-being. She is extremely popular with the patients. Her personal interaction and bedside manner with each patient will carry her very far in this profession. Lisa is a charismatic and an enjoyable person to be around, and her enthusiasm is apparent to patients and her coworkers alike. Lisa is a hard-working, intelligent young professional who has exceeded my every expectation. With a genuine ambition to be a dental hygienist, it has been refreshing to watch such a highly motivated individual work towards her goals.

I know that Lisa will be a valuable addition to your dental hygiene program. With great respect for such a motivated individual, I highly recommend Lisa Le for acceptance into the dental hygiene program. I look forward to her future success in dentistry. You will not be disappointed!

Sincerely,

Michael Ontiveros D.D.S.

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