Dear Mr./Mrs. of the Benjamin Franklin Transatlantic Fellowship Committee,

I have the pleasure to recommend Nela Kaľavská, who I have been teaching for two and half years since her 8th grade, now she studies in Sexta in the 8-year grammar school at Gymnasium Gelnica, Slovakia. I have been teaching her English language. From the first day of class, Nela impressed me with her ability to communicate about various concepts and themes, her ability to be a leading partner in any conversation within the English language and other subjects and her passion for reading both in and out of the classroom. When called upon to give her personal statements or arguments within any discussed themes in front of her peers, Nela speaks clearly and eloquently about her thoughts and responds to questions in a thoughtful way. Nela has my highest recommendation as a student.

Furthermore, Nela is talented when considering all school subjects studied at the grammar school in Gelnica. Hereby I confirm the best grades in all subjects for her whole period of studies. Throughout the year Nela is an active participant in our discussions, school activities, competitions of subjects like biology, geography, English, Slovak language and the competition in critical thinking others. She has always supported her peers, she has been active in opening discussions to get the opinion of her class or to solve a problem in the class. Her caring nature and personality allow her to work well with others in a team, as she always respects others' opinions even when they differ from her own. As the evidence of this I can confirm her help to her class teacher and leading position in her class team, which is the best organized, responsible and emphatic class group at the school.

Moreover, outside of the classroom, Nela is dedicated to her extracurricular activities and a long-term, around ten years participation in a majorettes club MK Diaz in Prakovce, the municipality of Gelnica region, where she has been winning various awards on an international as well as on the world level. She helps as a volunteer for money-raising charities that our school helps to coordinate, she helps our school on events that are held in the afternoons or at the weekends usually as a majorette of a cultural program or a member of organization team of school events like Night at school or Open days of Gymnasium.

Finally, I am sure that Nela is going to continue to do great things in her future. I highly recommend her for your program that is based on discussing and dealing various subjects as she is a strong leading and communicative partner for members of your program. She is talented, caring, intuitive and dedicated. Nela is truly a stand-out individual who will impress everyone she meets. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions at petrikova.gymgl@gmail.com.

Yours sincerely,

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