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SEAHO Awards and Recognition Committee:

It is with great pleasure that I recommend Mrs. Leslie Woltenberg for the **James C. Grimm Outstanding New Professional Award**. I have had the opportunity to work with Leslie for six years, in several capacities within the Office of Residence Life at the University of Kentucky. I know her both personally and professionally, and I recommend her to you very highly, both because of her professional abilities and because of her personal characteristics and skills.

If I could use one phrase to describe Leslie, it would be that she is a "hard working, engaging Student Affairs professional." Leslie has a strong work ethic and is extremely responsible and intelligent. Leslie is one of the most self-driven, responsible, and creative people I've ever worked with. Her willingness to take on additional responsibilities when needed within the Office of Residence Life demonstrates her continued commitment to the well being of our students. In her current role as our Learning Communities Coordinator she remains passionate about creating on campus environments where our students feel comfortable in their "home away from home." Our learning communities program has continued to grow and flourish under Leslie's direct leadership.

Leslie is well known for her genuine concern for others and her approachable nature, her sense of humor and ability to make others feel at ease make her a pleasure to work with. She is a role model for others by the example she projects—one who commits of herself 110% for everything that she does.

During Leslie's employment, I have found her to be conscientious and enthusiastic in her duties as well as very competent in leadership skills. Her main attributes are dependability and dedication for those she works. I have supervised and worked with many staff members in the Office of Residence Life. Leslie is one of the most engaging leaders I've ever worked with. She has great interpersonal skills, maintains a positive attitude and cares deeply about people.

In closing, I firmly believe that Leslie's continued contributions to the Office of Residence Life at the University of Kentucky and dedication to those she works with make her an exceptional candidate for the **James C. Grimm Outstanding New Professional Award.** I give her my highest recommendation.

Sincerely,

Marcia H. Shrout Assistant Director Office of Residence Life