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To Whom It May Concern:

It is a great pleasure to recommend the *Get Set Read!* literacy program to be used in the classrooms of schools across Orange County. I am confident in the program's success.

Through the use of the program *Get Set Read!*, which was co-developed by the Regents of the University of California, school environments in levels K-6 are provided a 10-week reading program and teacher administration *free of charge*. This program of exceptional merit was designed to be fun, socially interactive and draw upon age- and grade-appropriate fundamental principles of phonics and literacy education. The program teaches phonic skills in all three learning modalities: auditory, visual, and tactile. It provides measurable growth in phonics, word decoding, word identification, English fluency, and reading.

I am endorsing the use of *Get Set Read!* in the classroom based on the strength of the program. Like none other, it was designed to conform and align with the reading curriculum taught in our classrooms based upon the California Basic Phonics Skills Test mode of learning. As a result, the program provides ideal supplemental learning with in-classroom instruction as well as during after-school programs.

At this critical time due to budget cuts, we are fortunate to be offered a program like this that ensures increased reading skills levels for our students. I highly encourage principals to look into this program further to understand the benefits it provides.

Sincerely,

William M. Habermehl
County Superintendent of Schools