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To Whom It May Concern:

As the Chief of Police for the City of North Charleston, I know the challenges that many of our youth and families face in our community in their effort to be successful.

The work of the Youth Advocate Programs, Inc. in our community, speaks to their commitment to helping those youths who are at risk to succeed. The YAP, Inc. has worked with at risk youths in our community who are delinquent, truant; gang involved, or has other challenging issues. The positive interventions, family services, mentorship, employment assistance and other non-traditional service provisions helps foster positive self esteem, self reliance, and hope for a different outcome than otherwise predicted in the lives of many of these young people.

YAP, Inc. has demonstrated commitment over the past five years in providing community based services to youth and families, and we support their efforts in seeking funding in order to continue their efforts and being a resource to our at risk youths and families in South Carolina.

Sincerely,

Jon R. Zumalt
Chief of Police

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