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To Whom it May Concern:

It's with great confidence that I can recommend Marilou Mendoza for a position at your organization. I was Marilou's clinical instructor from January to May 2023 for her psychiatric nursing rotation while she was in the MiraCosta College RN program.

Marilou approached each of her assigned clients in a genuine way and provided thoughtful reflections and a keen self-awareness following each interaction. She was able to bring her prior LVN experience to the table while still maintaining an open mind and eagerness to expand into the role of the RN - a delicate balance not all LVN-to-RN students are able to demonstrate with such ease. She has excellent critical thinking skills as evidenced by her insightful questions and contributions during pre- and post-conference. She never hesitated to assist with any task on the Crisis Stabilization Unit or in the Emergency Department, to include volunteering to spend time with pediatric mental health patients in the ED.

Marilou showed an appreciation for the diversity on the unit and was always respectful of all clients regardless of their diagnosis or history, age, race, ethnicity, religion, disability, economic status, sexual orientation, and/or gender identity.

From day one, I was impressed with Marilou's performance as a student and greatly appreciated having someone with her level of experience in my clinical group. If you hire her, I am confident you will feel the same!

Please feel free to reach out with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. C. Thomassen".

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