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To Whom it May Concern,

I have known Allison Hetzel for 2 years, she was my professor for Acting 1 and my advisor freshman year. I am now her student again in Acting 3 and I continue to go to her for various situations even though my advisor has changed because I am in a different program in the theatre department. I have studied under, been directed by, and been counseled by her on many occasions; our relationship is professional and personal as she has helped me sift through life altering situations in my life.

As an advisor she goes above and beyond to make sure her students are in great shape not only in their education, but also in their lives. The first time I went to advising with Allison I told her that I might have to leave school because I wasn't in the program I set out to be in for the money I was paying. She worked with me through that semester to help get me ready to audition for the BFA program, and I have no doubt that she is the reason I was so prepared and got into the BFA Program. I came to her again because I was afraid I would have to leave because of money issues and she guided me to places to go so I wouldn't have to drop out of college. Allison Hetzel is the reason I am still at the University of Alabama.

As a professor Allison pushes her students to the next level in their work by supporting what they are doing while critiquing the work in a way that gives us the tools to become better performers. I believe she would do phenomenally as a Full Professor and I highly recommend that she is promoted as such; she not only cares for the art she cares for the individual students she is teaching.

Best regards,

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