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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Bryan Hiveley and I am currently the lead faculty for Visual Arts at the Miami International University of Art & Design. I received a Master of Fine Arts in Visual Arts from the University of South Carolina in 1999. I am an active and exhibiting artist and my work is in numerous private and public collections including the Tweed Museum of Art, the McKissick Museum, and the collection of the Florida Department of State. I am a long-standing member of the National Council for the Education for the Ceramic Arts and my work has been featured in over a dozen texts. Therefore, based on my expertise in the field of art, and since there is no standard evaluation of artists, it is my pleasure to give my professional evaluation of the talent of this brilliant artist.

Even before I met Gabriele Gutwirth, I had reviewed her portfolio that showcased her extraordinary ability in the Visual Arts. Because of Gabriele's hard work ethic, her passion for her medium, and her outstanding artistic ability, the faculty took immediate notice of her work. Gabriele excelled academically and artistically at this University and generated genuine camaraderie among those around her. She is an artist who sees every challenge as an opportunity to evolve artistically; the freedom here in the United States has allowed Gabriele to refine her extraordinary work even more. Therefore, I am happy to write this advisory opinion on this deserving and highly creative artist, to extend my full support on her application without any reservation.

Gabriele's artistic accomplishments are significant which is also shown by her impressive exhibition record. Her detailed line drawings and prints have been featured at Miami's Laundromat Art Space and The Frank Art Gallery as well as at other renowned South Florida locations. Most importantly she has dramatically impacted the Miami art scene with her participation in THE LINE MIAMI Artist Collective as the art project manager and curator of exhibits. This collective has showcased and spotlighted not only Miami's most promising up and coming artists, but also outstanding artists from around the world.

Gabriele's genius has an essential influence on the Miami art community. As well as being a wonderful artist who contributes greatly to the cultural community of the City of Miami, she is also an extraordinarily gifted person who will contribute her talent to the lives of those around her. If there are any further questions please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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