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To Whom It May Concern:

I have had the pleasure of working with Sara Kraft over the last several months as she led our Religious School in a tzedakah experience. Sara approached me last summer with the concept of our students' tzedakah money supporting a program called Blessings in a Backpack that provides weekend meals for students who otherwise would not have enough to eat.

From our first meeting I was thoroughly impressed with Sara's passion and dedication to this program. She worked tirelessly to make sure it would succeed at Temple Israel—creating posters; meeting with our graphic designer; developing a power point presentation to introduce the program; recruiting volunteers; and writing mini-lessons for parent volunteers to present each week in classrooms.

As a result of Sara's hard work, our students raised a significant amount of money, but more importantly they learned the value of tzedakah. We could not have done this program without Sara's vision, and the work she put in to execute that vision. Her rapport with teachers, parents and students made this experience invaluable to everyone. I only hope that I can convince her help us again next fall with our tzedakah program!

I believe that the skills I saw in Sara while working with her on this tzedakah program translate into her being a talented and successful social worker.

L'Shalom,

Rabbi Arianna Gordon

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