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To Whom It May Concern:

I had the pleasure of working with Susan Williams this past summer on a Desert Botanical Garden grant project. The Garden engaged Susan's consulting services to prepare our September 2003 grant application to the National Endowment for the Humanities.

During this process, Susan demonstrated that she is a highly competent writer, strategic thinker, and flexible team member who thoroughly exceeded our expectations. In addition to helping our staff team refine the project focus, Susan made outstanding contributions to our plan for engaging community partners, scientists and humanities scholars. Her knowledge of environmental education and valuable connections throughout Arizona proved to be extremely valuable. We contracted with her to write a grant narrative, prepare the addenda and complete the grant package on time; she delivered much more.

Susan's impressive performance with the grant project prompted our Director of Exhibits to invite her to be one of our project consultants in planning new exhibits and interpretations for the Plants and People of the Sonoran Desert Trail.

We look forward to continuing the Garden's relationship with Susan and I am confident she could be valuable to your organization as well. Please contact me if I can provide any additional information about our experience with Susan.

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