May 21, 2021 Helen J. Harris 6761 N. 109th St. Milwaukee, WI 53224

To Whom It May Concern,

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation for Judge Joan F. Kessler. I have known Judge Kessler for over 50 years as a friend and for several years as a neighbor. We met as young adults and our families have shared many happy times together. I have had opportunities to discuss political, social and various other issues with Judge Kessler on many occasions and I have always found her to be knowledgeable, level-headed, compassionate and straight forward in addressing issues in the community, society and on the national level. In addition, she has a wry sense of humor!

A major strength that I have observed in Judge Kessler is her ability to interact and communicate with people of all lifestyles and ethnicities. Because of her innate respect for all people, she is able to bridge racial and economic gaps and have honest dialogue with almost anyone. Judge Kessler has a strong sense of fairness and has advocated for those who are marginalized in society. She has the ability to analyze and interpret information and draw conclusions based on evidence because of her background and training and because of her desire to know the truth. Judge Kessler is a strong supporter of young people and with her husband, Judge Frederick Kessler, established a foundation that generously provides yearly scholarships to a number of students at the University of Wisconsin Milwaukee.

I highly recommend Judge Joan F. Kessler for the position offered because I am confident that she would do an outstanding job and would perform her responsibilities with integrity, diligence and thoroughness. She would be willing to listen to others and work with them to achieve the goals and objectives of the organization. You could not find a more worthy candidate.

If additional information is needed, please contact me at

or by email at

Sincerely,

Helen I Harris