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To Whom it may Concern:

The Humboldt County Human Rights Commission is pleased to commend Christina Allbright for her long-term commitment to, and involvement in, promoting human rights in Humboldt County and Northern California. The members of the Commission have worked closely with her in several areas of concern to the Commission. She has faithfully attended many Commission meetings while serving as a liaison between the Human Rights Commission and the American Civil Liberties Union.

Christina has given generously of her time and professional skills towards the realization of human rights for all individuals in and beyond our community. She is very effective in taking a leadership role with these projects; she serves equally well as a team member on projects for which others hold the leadership responsibility. She has contributed thoughtful and relevant information during discussions at Commission meetings. She has always made it clear that she can not offer legal advice to us, but she often helped Commission members understand pertinent legal issues regarding the work they do.

Christina has been involved in several issues related to the criminal justice system. Other areas of cooperative efforts include the Citizen Law Enforcement Review Board program of several years ago, and, more recently, the establishment of liaisons between the Commission and local law enforcement agencies. Most recently, Christina has taken a leadership role and worked cooperatively with the Commission in developing the local Citizen Review Board initiatives.

Christina was very helpful in establishing the County's Independent Observer Program with the Commission and has worked diligently to help make it a successful program for meeting the community's needs. We have worked together on promoting the full rights of gays and lesbians. Christina also was of great assistance to the Commission in formulating our recommendations to the Board of Supervisors for ensuring that the Patriot Act did not infringe on the legal and human rights of people in Humboldt County.

We commend Christina Allbright for her many valuable contributions dedicated to creating a fair and just community that ensures the rights of all people.

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Humboldt County Human Rights Commission