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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is in regards to the exceptional experience that we have had with Tom Lopatosky of Lopco Contracting.

YouthBuild Providence is an alternative education and workforce development program – geared specifically towards construction industry job placement. We focus on low income, high school dropouts in Providence who show the motivation and commitment towards learning new skills to build a better future. While providing education leading to GED obtainment, our students gain relevant skills for solid careers while constructing a single family home for a family in need.

Mr. Lopatosky has been a strong participant in our mentoring program. Not only is he a remarkably dedicated mentor– but also a person dedicated to positive change in our community. He has work side by side with YouthBuild Providence students at various community-wide service projects and events.

Tom has made an immense difference in this community, with volunteer labor at countless projects; from assisting YouthBuild with its' building affordable housing, and connecting low income under skilled workers to employment. Tom has shown immense compassion while improving his surroundings, while teaching others employable skills.

We firmly believe that Mr. Lopatosky is an asset to this community. Given the overlap of our missions, we are pleased to have Lopco as a partner in industry.

Sincerely,

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Career Counselor