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To Whom It May Concern,

It is without hesitation that I strongly recommend Mr. Keith Parsons as a public speaker for your school, group or organization. Mr. Parsons is a dynamic individual with a great heart. He truly cares about the future of our youth and is dedicated to reaching out and preventing others from making some of the life altering mistakes that he unfortunately made.

Mr. Parsons' presentation is well organized and he has dedicated himself to making his presentation the best it can be. I have known Keith for a few years now and I have the utmost respect for him as an educator, individual and friend.

I strongly feel that Mr. Parsons' story is one that needs to be heard by all Middle School and High School students. Our youth is faced with many pressures as they grow up and many believe that they are invincible or that life altering things only happen to people on television. After seeing and hearing Mr. Parson's story one has to re-think decisions that could affect one's life. Keith presents himself in a polite, educated, straight forward, honest, and caring manner.

It is my privilege to know Keith and to have had him tell his story to my Middle School Health classes. I feel that I am a better person and better prepared to teach our youth after meeting him. I am proud to know that someone who once made a mistake is trying to give others the tools to succeed and make wise choices in their lives.

Thank You,

Mr. Gene D. Johnson  
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