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Selection Committee JFK Lancer Scholarship for Teachers Attn: Ms. Debra Conway

Dear Selection Committee Members:

I write in enthusiastic support of Bruce Hitchcock's nomination for the JFK Lancer Teacher Scholarship. Over the past three years, Mr. Hitchcock has brought groups of his students to serve as interns for the Assassination Records Review Board. A total of 56 students have donated their time and energy in support of the important work of the Review Board. Hitchcock's vision and leadership in proposing the intern program, and his careful management of it over the years, have been of great benefit to our organization.

Although I have never seen Hitchcock in the classroom, I have had ample opportunity to witness the significant impact he has had on his students. They are invariably highly motivated, well prepared, thirsty for knowledge, and careful in how they approach the complex issues involved in the Kennedy case. These qualities are a tribute to Hitchcock—to his skill as a teacher and his ability to reach and motivate kids.

I was privileged to be present during Mr. Hitchcock's testimony before the *House Committee on Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs and Criminal Justice* on the subject of the extension of the authorization of the Review Board. He was eloquent in his description of the importance of studying the assassination, and, from what I have witnessed, he serves as a sterling example of how it should be done.

Sincerely,

David G. Marwell Executive Director