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To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter in support of Lei Wang, who was my professor for IDE 201 in the spring of 2020. I was actually able to go in person to Ms. Wang's class, and she was one of the most welcoming professors I have had at Syracuse! I could tell that she was so excited to be teaching the course, and she was very willing to help. Something that she did to keep everyone engaged in the lesson was to give us cut out hearts in different colors when we participated. Being a future teacher myself, I think that this is a great idea because it encourages an open and accepting environment while making class fun. After only a few classes, Syracuse went fully remote for the rest of the semester. Ms. Wang completely understood that the uncertainty of COVID-19 was stressful, and did everything she could to ensure that my classmates and I were able to successfully complete her course. During the rest of the semester, I felt very comfortable asking Ms. Wang for help with her class and knew that she would answer them quickly and thoroughly. Once, I was confused about an assignment, and it was pretty late at night, but I emailed Ms. Wang anyway. She answered quickly, and we emailed each other back and forth for a while. She made sure that I completely understood the concept. Most professors provide students with a designated time that they can contact them; it was so helpful to know that Ms. Wang would be there to help me whenever I needed help. I think that Ms. Wang is the most qualified candidate for the Outstanding TA Award because she works hard to make sure that her students are successful in her class.

Sincerely,

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