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Dear Chancellor Fox,

I am writing this letter of recommendation for Professor Leeka Kheifets, currently a Professor In-Residence in the Department of Epidemiology of the School of Public Health at UCLA.

Dr. Kheifets brings over 25 years of experience in research. She is highly regarded by experts in many disciplines, and especially in the field of epidemiology where she has made numerous important contributions. This is exemplified by an extensive publication record in the peer-reviewed literature.

In her work, Dr. Kheifets makes use of her extensive experience in the field of non-ionizing radiation protection, having worked in private, public and academic environments at national and international level. She worked at the World Health Organization (WHO) from 2001 to 2003, and her leadership in WHO's International EMF Project, which I am currently heading, has been seminal. In addition to serving on several national committees, she was also a member of the WHO International Agency for Research on Cancer Working Group (2001) and WHO Environmental Health Criteria Task Group (2005) charged with evaluating potential health effects from electromagnetic fields exposure.

Dr. Kheifets exhibits a strong drive, gets along well with people and is a team player. Her enthusiasm and dedication is apparent through her continued commitment to the work of the World Health Organization. Based on my personal experience from working with her, and based on the assessments that other renowned scientists in the field, it is clear that Dr. Kheifets is one of the world leaders in her field.

Respectfully,

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