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To Whom It May Concern:

It gives me great pleasure to write in support of the Glimpse Foundation. I had the opportunity of gaining firsthand knowledge of the foundation's work to promote cross-cultural understanding among young Americans and young adults throughout the world in my capacity as former president of Brown University.

In my current position as president of Carnegie Corporation of New York, I have encountered countless non-profit organizations that are dedicated to building tomorrow's leaders. But frankly I am firmly convinced that the Glimpse Foundation is one of the most capable, well conceived, and visionary initiatives I have seen. The challenges facing our global community today demand young leaders who are well-educated, open to creative problem solving across a variety of cultural spaces, and comfortable with a diversity of choices, viewpoints, and ideas.

Through its print publications and web communications, the Glimpse Foundation offers an educational space for young people of all cultures and geographic regions to communicate with each other about their travel and living experiences. In doing so, they foster a multitude of connections that serve to bridge gaps in understanding, resulting in virtual communities of learning and understanding. In a world increasingly dominated by sound bites, information overload and the profound forces of globalization, the importance of such an opportunity is impossible to overstate.

I wholeheartedly recommend the Glimpse Foundation to you with enthusiasm and without any hesitation whatsoever.

With gratitude and very best wishes,

Yours,

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