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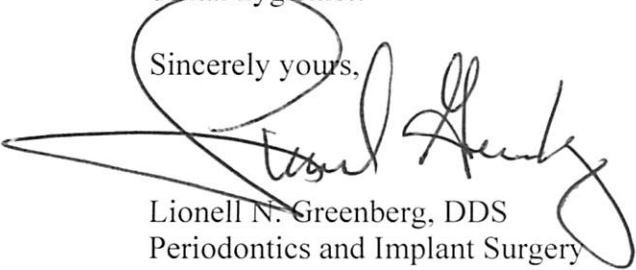
To Whom It May Concern:

It is my understanding that a baccalaureate degree is being considered for the graduates of the West Los Angeles College Hygiene Program. This is a very motivated program, which brings many bright hygienists into our community.

I have been practicing for almost 45 years and have been involved in dental education since I started my practice. I have been active in the local dental community and many professional organizations. I am presently the president of the Western Society of Periodontology, which is an organization of the thirteen western states.

During my career I have seen the trends in dental care and the need for changes in dental education. A bachelor's degree is essential for dental hygienists as they explore employment opportunities in today's world. As an owner of a dental practice I hire dental hygienists into my practice. A dental hygienist with a bachelor's degree will improve their career outlook. I also understand if a person is to be employed at the WLAC, a bachelor's degree is also a minimum degree required for employment so you can understand the value of the degree. The dental hygiene students at WLAC are already completing sufficient college credit for a bachelor's degree but are being denied the degree and the opportunities being afforded to those with a bachelor's degree. A bachelor's program will allow your students to continue to find success and fulfillment as dental hygienist.

Sincerely yours,



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