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To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to take this opportunity to recommend Debbie Gregory and her company Military Connection. It has been my pleasure to join forces with Ms. Gregory on a number of Veterans' issues, and I am amazed at the enthusiasm, passion and energy she has for those who serve, past and present.

MilitaryConnection.com encourages their clients to partner with non-profits, associations and (when appropriate) government agencies in a win/win scenario to help Veterans. Military Connection also dedicates time and resources to non-profits on a regular basis, producing events such as golf tournaments, concerts and USO benefits, as well as providing meeting facilities for military families to interact with psychologists.

Throughout my military career, and now as the Secretary of California Department of Veterans Affairs, I know all too well that surrounding yourself with "can do" people is essential to the success of any team. I feel fortunate to have the significant reach and resources of Ms. Gregory's company, Military Connection, at my disposal to spread the word about the programs we offer to California's Veteran population. With a database of over 800,000 emails and a twice-monthly newsletter, MilitaryConnection.com is a great asset. Additionally, MilitaryConnection.com is a Top 100 Employment Web Site. Debbie recognized a need to connect Military Business Owners with Corporations, and so she founded the non-profit trade organization VAMBOA, the Veteran and Military Business Owners Association, whose membership is in excess of 4,000 members.

I feel confident that should you require assistance in projects, legislation or matters that concern or benefit our nation's Veterans and Service members; Debbie Gregory will be the first person to step up. And in doing so, she will not only bring the reach of Military Connection, but also 110% of her boundless energy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter J. Gravett".

PETER J. GRAVETT
Major General (Retired)
Secretary

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