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To Whom it may concern

Re: Linda Staker

As a resident of Canada, I have relied heavily on the advice of Linda Staker. This is due to the fact that there are no experts on Marsupials in this Country whatsoever. Medical , behavioural and husbandry knowledge here is almost non-existent, and many animals have been lost due to this lack of understanding and information.

Linda's manual "Don't Step Backward" is being used by zoos, veterinarians and private owners as the primary source of information, and is an invaluable tool in maintaining the health and comfort of our animals. Her many years of research and in-depth observations have been crucial in advancing the care and understanding of many animals.

I currently publish a nation-wide magazine concerning alternative and exotic animals in captivity. Linda is a valued contributor to this magazine.

In addition to this, Linda has been very accommodating and accessible for people needing her expertise on an individual basis. Her dedication to this unselfish and under recognized field is astonishing and rarely found. I have never had any hesitation in following her excellent advice, nor had any reluctance in referring other facilities to seek her advice.

Due to the appalling lack of knowledge in this area – especially in Canada and the United States, Linda is an integral part of the education and betterment of the care of these unique species in captivity.

I have had the privilege of attending a lecture in the United States given in part by Linda, and was overwhelmed by her knowledge and passion for this subject. She would indeed be a very valuable asset to any company or Country who has the foresight and good judgement to acquire her services.

Sincerely,

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