To the Oakland University Honors College,

I would like to submit my endorsement of Ms. Amber Baldwin for graduation from the Honors College for her proficient completion of her Honors College thesis. Her development of the manuscript entitled “Best Practices for Public Policies for Palliative Care Physical Therapy: A Critical Review of the Literature” has met the criteria for sufficient completion for this degree requirement.

Amber did a proficient job with communication and coordinating this project. Amber and I met 1-2 times per month over the past year to analyze the literature review results and to allow me to provide feedback on her progress.

This study has the potential to assist in integration of physical therapy services for patients with terminal illness in palliative care and has the potential to impact the quality of life of thousands of seriously ill patients in the United States.

After completion of this project, Amber is intending to present her research findings at Oakland University’s Physical Therapy Program Research Day in May of 2017 as well as at a state conference for physical therapy. In addition, Amber and I intend to submit this project for publication in a peer reviewed journal in the very near future.

Throughout this project, Amber has been open to feedback and willing to take on a very large, complex project that challenged her skills. This dedication to research, patient care, and safety are all skills that will serve her very well in her future career. I look forward to working with her on future projects and am glad to endorse her as a graduate of the Honors College at Oakland University.

Thank you for the opportunity to work with Ms. Baldwin on this endeavor.

Sincerely,

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