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To Whom it May Concern,

Being a member of Marilyn Allen's oil painting class at the Senior Center has been a stimulating, fun, and inspiring experience on many levels.

As far back as I can remember, I have been attracted to painting but stayed away because I doubted my abilities. Under Marilyn's guidance, I have become a fearless artist. I have learned how to paint something, stand back to look at it, let the painting tell me where it wants to go, and how fulfilling painting can be.

For me, doing art is magically nourishing and I would like to find ways to make this experience accessible to more people. Marilyn's work is a model for this because of her respect for all students and her sincere devotion to their having a good experience.

When we are all at work at the Senior Center, the room is filled with a wonderful spirit of camaraderie and serious concentration.

Sincerely,  
Judy Zemel