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Dear Site Director

I am writing to offer my heartfelt support to Annie Evan's application to take part in your forthcoming fieldwork project. During the summer of 2002 Annie handled all of the cooking and purchasing of supplies for my 5 week excavation project at the prehistoric henge monument of Avebury in southern England. Working in what amounted to little more than a makeshift kitchen she managed to not only cater for a team of over 50 archaeologists and students but provided a menu that was as delicious as it was varied. She coordinated and cooked breakfast, lunch and a two-course evening meal and it is a credit to her ingenuity and cooking skills that a different two-course menu was served every night.

As well as cooking Annie proved herself to be a very effective organiser and planner and what's more a great colleague to have around. In conclusion Annie is an asset to any fieldwork project and I warmly recommend her to you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Gillings'.

(Dr. Mark Gillings)