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To Whom it May Concern:

Yesterday my four kindergarten classes had the wonderful, 'Music Mobile' experience. As always, Ruth Pelham quickly engaged students in her series of songs and interactive routines. Joining in on one of the classes, I was not surprised to see the students smiling, clapping and hugging each other in response to her suggestions.

We ended Ruth's visit with a family concert and invited all our primary grades, their teachers and parents. What a wonderful way to close out the school week! Everyone joined in to sing along with lyrics like "love is all around" and "peace the whole world round."

In thanking Ruth for her time and energy at the end of the day, I reminisced that I had now known her for 22 years! I first encountered the Music Mobile at the NYS Museum. My four-year-old daughter and I were visiting the Sesame Street Exhibit (new at the time) and there was Ruth, making guitars from cardboard and rubber bands with a group of preschoolers. My daughter immediately joined in the fun.

As an assistant principal and then principal at three different elementary schools in Schenectady, I have made it a point to be sure that my students had the 'Music Mobile experience'. Ruth has never disappointed. I think I enjoy her every bit as much as the students. Rest assured, you will too!!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mrs. J. Poklemba".

Mrs. J. Poklemba
Principal