To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to recommend Becky Plourde as a nanny. She worked for my family as a live-in nanny for 9 months caring for our son (age 11 months to 20 months). Given a significant change in my work schedule we no longer need live-in childcare, and we are so sad to see Becky go!

We had a very positive experience with Becky. She is a competent caregiver and I completely trust her with my child. Among her strengths, her maturity and responsibility stand out the most to me. I have never had to worry about trusting Becky in our house or with our car. She is very responsible and never took a sick day during the entire time when she worked for us. She is also extremely flexible. Though we had a set number of base weekly hours, the day-to-day schedule changed often and many times with very short notice. She was never frustrated with these changes in schedule or plan. She is familiar with the local Philadelphia area and took our son to gym and music classes, museums, parks, and the library.

In addition to caring for our son, she also was willing to help with transportation. She would often drive us and pick us up from work or the airport. Becky does very well with a formalized list with respect to other household tasks unrelated to childcare. She is a very safe driver.

As far as a live-in nanny, though she was our first experience, it was a positive one. Becky is a quiet, respectful and easy-going roommate. She treated our house and belongings with respect.

As a first time Mom, she was non-judgmental and very helpful to make sure our son continued to grow (transitioning to single naps, self soothing, limiting use of pacifier, bottle/sippy cup transitions). She often anticipated his development better than us! I would be happy to speak more about our experience and would strongly recommend her for a nanny position.

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