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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

My Mother, Virginia P. Bongolan who was herself a Registered Nurse, was blessed to be a patient of Dr. Papanna Ravichandra for many years. Previously, she had been a long time patient of Douglas Manfredi, who had moved from New York and requested that his patients to be handled by Dr. Ravichandra. It did not long to understand why Dr. Manfredi a warm and caring doctor himself chose such a special person to take over his practice. My Mother developed a very close relationship with "Dr. Ravi" through the years, one of total trust in handling her health care and she loved him. When she first came under his care, she was walking and relatively healthy for a woman in her nineties. He visited her regularly as he was always concerned with her well being.

Some time later, my Mother unfortunately suffered a mild stroke and was hospitalized at Cabrini Medical Center in Manhattan. Each day after treating his other patients in his office, Dr. Ravi would visit her into the late hours of the evening. When she saw him at her hospital bed, she was always so happy and relieved, because she knew that with him taking care of her, she was in always in the "best of hands".

Dr. Ravichandra gave us his personal cell phone number (a rarity) to use at any time of day to reach him should we need to and we did. Every time we called he responded without alarm but with patience and immediacy, handling each situation as necessary in his efficient and kind manner. Each time he visited my Mother at home, and that included late evening hours for emergency situations, he always brought the newest medical technical computer equipment with him to evaluate her, reassuring her and our family that she was getting the utmost of care in the privacy of her home instead of having to be in the hospital for immediate attention. He brought her comfort and reassurance with each and every visit. Unforgettably, I had to contact him concerned about her condition hours before she passed away. Very soon after my call, he came to examine her at our home and gave us a realistic but yet hopeful evaluation of her situation, so that we were able to contact some of our family to come to see her. They stayed with us all night, making it possible for her to be surrounded by loved ones and in the security and comfort of her own bed and home when she sadly left us.

Our entire family is so very very thankful for Dr. Ravichandra. I cannot say enough about how dedicated and compassionate he is to his profession and all his patients. By performing the extra task of treating his homebound patients in the comfort of their own homes, he fulfills a greatly needed responsibility. He is what every doctor should be.

Sincerely,



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To Whom It May Concern:

Dr. P. Ravichandra

I am writing in praise of the Mount Sinai Visiting Doctors Program and the Metropolitan Area Consortium on House Call Medicine. I am writing with particular reference to the professional activity of one visiting doctor who has cared for my father in affiliation with these two programs over the last two years: Dr. P. Ravichandra, who practices at 120 East 36th Street, Apt. 1E, New York, New York, 10016.

My family and I enlisted the services of Dr. P. Ravichandra as primary care physician for my father, Dr. Bernard Sohmer, in February, 2005. At that time, my father was concluding a four-month period of hospitalization, during which he had been admitted first, to Astoria General Hospital (Mount Sinai Hospital of Western Queens) on November 6, 2004, for a critical case of encephalitis and herpes zoster (shingles), combined with chronic conditions of heart disease (my father had triple-bypass surgery in December, 1998); lymphoma (diagnosed in the 1980s), thyroid malfunction, and type II diabetes (diagnosed 1992). In late November, 2004, my father was transferred to DeWitt Rehabilitation and Nursing Center, but was then admitted to Lenox Hill Hospital for the insertion of a super-pubic tube in December, 2004, as the encephalitis and shingles had caused my father's diabetic neuropathy to progress to the point where my father was unable to properly void. After an additional stay of approximately two months at DeWitt, my father was released for 24/7 home care on February 25, 2005.

Upon release to home care, my father's bed-ridden/wheelchair-bound condition made the possibility of regular doctor's visits impossible. My father had lost the use of his legs and right hand. He was depressed and somewhat disoriented. He could neither be comfortably transported to a doctor's office, nor could he undress for a doctor's inspection. For these reasons, the social services staff at DeWitt had referred me, as my father's health care proxy, to Mount Sinai's Visiting Doctors Program, where I was, in turn, referred to Dr. Ravichandra.

We were overjoyed that Dr. Ravichandra was willing to make "house calls," to evaluate my father's medical condition. Moreover, it quickly became clear that Dr. Ravichandra offered a superlative level of care that far exceeded any my father had received at DeWitt. At his earliest review of my father's condition, Dr. Ravichandra determined that my father had been receiving several medications that were no longer necessary for him (including Ambien and Avandia), and that three medications--to control my father's heart and thyroid conditions--would be sufficient.

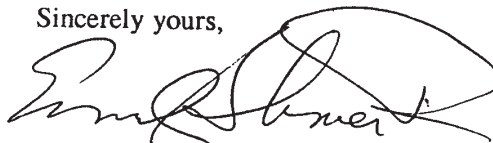
In the two years since this adjustment, my family has been most impressed by the level of commitment Dr. Ravichandra has demonstrated in his attentiveness to my father's condition. Dr. Ravichandra calls my father every two weeks to review potential health problems, and is

available for emergency cellular telephone contact twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. During home visits, Dr. Ravichandra utilizes portable EKG machines and sonograms that compare current readings to data collected at previous visits in order to fully monitor my father's condition. Dr. Ravichandra's use of these technologies is complemented by his active review of literature on medications and procedures--a review which, no doubt, informed his decision to limit my father's medications in 2005, with felicitous results. Dr. Ravichandra has also been kind enough to introduce my father to members of his regular office staff, so that my father--and they--would have the same frame of reference there would be if my father were capable of making office visits.

Over the last two years--which have included one more emergency hospitalization for my father in the winter of 2006--Dr. Ravichandra and his home health-care visits have stabilized my father's condition to its highest level since my father's critical illness of 2004. As my father's health-care proxy, I firmly believe that it is Dr. Ravichandra's superlative care that has contributed to the quality of life my father now enjoys notwithstanding his permanent disabilities. My father has regained much of his cognitive function. He enjoys interaction, and even the occasional wheel-chair bound outing, with my mother or with friends. I am deeply grateful to the Visiting Doctors Program at Mount Sinai Hospital for recommending Dr. Ravichandra, and to the Metropolitan Area Consortium on House Call Medicine for supporting his work.

Please do not hesitate to contact me, at etai@qcc.cuny.edu, should you require any further comment on Dr. P. Ravichandra's care for my father in conjunction with the Visiting Doctors Program at Mount Sinai Hospital or the Metropolitan Area Consortium on House Call Medicine.

Sincerely yours,



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Health-Care Proxy,
Dr. Bernard Sohmer

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May 22, 2007

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To whom it may concern:

Dr. Ravichandra has been taking care of my husband, Ken, (87 years old) and me (94). We've been with Oxford Health Care for many years and formerly had a doctor whose office was on Central Park West.

Due to a serious illness, that has prevented me from leaving our home this year, Dr. Ravichandra has been making house calls to us. Both Ken and I find him to be a rare and wonderful doctor. In the past, whenever we went to a doctor's office we'd sit in the waiting room for a half to a whole hour. The room, of course, was full of patients and I made it a habit to time how many minutes each patient actually spent with the doctor. It was between five and eight minutes.

On the other hand, Dr. Ravichandra is most generous with his time. When he comes for a visit he gives us a thorough examination, sometimes spending a whole hour. He talks with us and always gives us the rewarding benefit of his extraordinary knowledge.

On May 14th, Ken was scheduled to have a check-up at Mt. Sinai Hospital - tests for his kidneys, thyroid, etc. Dr. Ravichandra was going to pick us up at 11AM. We waited quite a while, but finally he called to say that it was so busy at the hospital he would come to the house. He arrived with the most technologically advanced equipment and took X-rays of Ken's heart and lungs and also did blood tests. He spent a good three hours examining and observing him. During this time, though he did need to take a few patients' calls on his cell phone, he gave us his full attention. In addition to his knowledge, he has enormous intuition to recognize the most minute imbalances in the system. He is truly helping us to keep healthy.

Dr. Ravichandra has been a great blessing to us this past year, and I wish him the very best for a most rewarding practice. His skill and compassionate caring make him a very special doctor indeed.

Sincerely yours,

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

I AM A HOME BOUND PATIENT. I HAVE KNOWN DR RAUICHANDRA FOR 4 YEARS. HE IS AN EXCELLENT PHYSICIAN WITH EXCELLENT APPROACH TO HIS PATIENTS. I WAS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED TO ME BY OUR CHURCH MEMBER. HE HAS TREATED ME AND OTHER CHURCH MEMBERS FOR 4 YEARS OR SO. I AM VERY MUCH SATISFIED BY HIS HIGH LEVEL PROFESSIONAL APPROACH TOWARDS ME. I HAVE HEARD SIMILAR COMMENTS FROM MY FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORHOOD. I AM HAPPY TO RECEIVE HIS CARE FOR EVER AND I RECOMMEND HIM TO OTHER. HE IS AN EXCELLENT VISITING PHYSICIAN.

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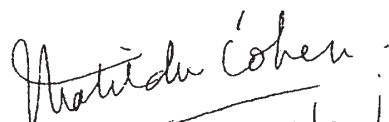
April 25, 2007

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter to advise you that Dr. Ravichandra performs in a professional, polite, and timely manner towards his patients. Dr. Ravichandra exhibits a caring nature towards his patients. I witnessed his demeanor one day when I visited a client of mine. My client is very anxious and Dr. Ravichandra calmed her down, was respectful and sensitive to her concerns.

Sincerely,


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