

D I O C E S E O F H A M I L T O N

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To Whom It May Concern:

I have been asked to write a letter of reference for Mrs. Georgina Cosentino who I have known for approximately twenty years.

I first met Georgina, her husband and two daughters when I was assigned to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Hamilton as the Associate Pastor. They were actively involved in the life of the parish and attended Sunday Mass on a regular basis. At that time, Georgina was involved with the Brothers of the Good Shepherd as a volunteer. The Brothers' mission is to help those in the community who are most in need.

In recent years, Georgina has deepened her commitment to helping those in need by initiating a program entitled *Healthy Smiles for Haiti*. The goal of this program is to make available preventative dental care and education to children and young adults, as well as provide dental supplies, equipment and financial assistance to dental professionals. This is all being done to help the people of Haiti. Rather than simply providing dental care, this program is designed to support the Haitian-trained dental professionals to maintain the health of their fellow Haitians.

Georgina Cosentino does this work on a voluntary basis and raises funds to pay for the toothbrushes, toothpaste and other oral hygiene items that she brings to Haiti on a regular basis. She is committed to this work and is a woman of great faith and integrity. Any support that you can offer to her and her program would be greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me personally.

Sincerely yours,

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