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To Whom it May Concern:

As a former law enforcement chief, I am familiar with the importance of excellence in training.

I am fortunate to have attended the award-winning Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange (GILEE) program, which is a joint project of Georgia State University and local, state, federal, and international law enforcement and public safety agencies. The GILEE program provides real-life experience in the understanding of cooperative law enforcement training.

In part, GILEE's mission is to enhance law enforcement executive development and international cooperation and to provide peer-to-peer professional training through sharing of best practices. In order to enhance personal and agency capabilities to better deal with threats to public safety and improve security, the small delegation of law enforcement executives with whom I traveled to Israel, all gained insights and an enhanced appreciation for our different perspectives and challenges.

The GILEE training program was carried out with best practices, well communicated, had purpose and provided an exceptional learning experience. For me, it was personally rewarding and allowed for meaningful communication with all international participants. In short, it made me better informed and more appreciative relating to international and U.S law enforcement challenges.

GILEE program director Dr. Robert Friedmann should be commended for establishing this prestigious program which continues to provide excellence in education for law enforcement professionals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lynn Rhodes". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.