## **EXHIBIT A**

## Dear Judge Cooper:

My name is Halee Palmer, I have known Brad for over a year and a half now and through this time I have really appreciated Brad for his friendship and his character. He has been our neighbor and friend since my husband and I got married. I have really gotten to know Brad very well since we met him.

I understand that Brad has pleaded guilty and I respect him for that. I am writing this letter to you so you can understand who Brad is and why we care about him. Brad is an amazing man, he has been so thoughtful to me and my family. He always is including us, bringing us food, checking in on us and always willing to help and be there for us with whatever we need. I had surgery awhile back and Brad always asked how i was feeling, asking if there was anything he could do. He always puts others before himself. I truly am so thankful for Brad and the role he plays in our life. I consider Brad a true friend. One thing I am so thankful for about Brad is that he makes us feel safe. My sweet husband works long hours and I don't like being home alone but having Brad close by always gives me comfort knowing I can go to Brad for anything. Brad loves all. He is generous, giving, friendly, trustworthy and an all around good guy. Brad has the sweetest dog named Turk and he loves that dog more than anything, it is his life. Turk goes where Brad goes. A while back his sweet dog had a stroke and wasn't able to walk anymore, his back legs stopped working. It really broke his heart but he never once gave up on him or stopped the dog from living the life it deserved. Brad got a wagon for Turk, filled with blankets to keep him comfortable so they could go on walks, brought him in the sun, and did everything in his power to keep the dog healthy and keep him moving. Everyday when I came outside Brad was there with his dog helping him to walk again, never giving up and here he is now walking his dog and he is as happy as ever. Brad will do anything he can to help those in need, he never gives up on them and I really appreciate him for that.

Thank you for your time. Please take into consideration how amazing Brad is. Please consider a minimal sentence. I am available to confirm these facts in this letter as necessary. Thank you again for your time.

Sincerely, Halee Palmer