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## THE DANFORTH FOUNDATION

607 NORTH GRAND BOULEVARD ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI 63103

You are asked to give below your comments regarding:

(Candidate)

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Mrs. Thelma T. Gorham

684 W. Gamble Street

Tallahassee, Florida 323

(Street)

(City, State, Zip Code)

who is applying for a Graduate Fellowship for Women given by the Danforth Foundation. Please state how long and in what capacity you have known the applicant. Since biographical information and academic transcripts have already been submitted, your personal appraisal of the candidate will be most helpful. The committee considering applicants will welcome comments upon the candidate's qualities of mind, spirit, and personality; her strengths and her limitations; her ability to persevere in her plans for graduate work; her promise as a teacher at the secondary or college level.

Application materials and supporting letters must be received by the Danforth Foundation before February 10, 1967. All references will be considered confidential. An additional page may be used if needed.

PLEASE MAIL YOUR RECOMMENDATION DIRECTLY TO THE DANFORTH FOUNDATION IN THE ENVELOPE WHICH THE CANDIDATE HAS SUPPLIED YOU.

It is a pleasure for me to recommend the above applicant for a Graduate Fellowship for Women. I have known and worked with her for three years.

The candidate previously served as Director of Public Relations and Associate Professor of Journalism but is now serving full-time as a teacher in Journalism. She serves with the students as advisor to the FAMUAN, a student publication.

She has an outgoing personality, is a vigorous worker and an excellent community worker. Above all, she impresses me most as a teacher of Journalism. The empathy which she demonstrates in handling students and the enthusiasm with which she pursues her work serves as a basis for this recommendation for her to pursue further graduate study.

She has a strong competitive spirit, especially with the male sex to the extent that she is recognized professionally and respected academically. There is little doubt that the candidate, if given the opportunity, will persevere and perform creditably in graduate school.

The applicant is a thinker and does not always agree with policies and procedures imposed by authority. This may have become a domineering trait which may not be generally accepted by her immediate superior. This may limit her performance in one academic environment, but may become an asset in another. As for me, I have to admire her character, her willingness to have convictions, and to stick to them.

Dr. B. L. Perry, Director of Research

(Name and Title)
and Grants, and Professor of Economics

Florida A and M University, Box 224
Tallahassee, Florida

February 1, 1967

(Date)

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