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Rebecca Rienzi, Executive Director
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Dear Ms. Rienzi:

On behalf of the Maryland State Police Education & Training Division, I want to express our appreciation to your organization for the professional and informative training on Individuals with Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities to our Entry Level Maryland State Police Academy classes. While the training meets our mandated curriculum for all Maryland State Police personnel, it provides our Troopers with a "scenario-based" training using self-advocators and practical applications in the field.

Since the Maryland State Police's initial offer of using Pathfinders for Autism to conduct our training several years ago, your organization continues to maintain their reputation of excellence in instruction for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The Pathfinders for Autism staff has demonstrated their expertise of the objectives provided by the Maryland Police and Corrections Training Commissions during each subsequent Entry Level State Police Academy class. I have witnessed and participated in several classes and can verify all the positive feedback we have received from candidates and MSP instructors. Shelly McLaughlin and her team are outstanding instructors who provide a vast of experience through professional and personal accounts that both enhance learning and understanding. Our candidates leave each session with a widespread understanding of identifying and interacting with citizens affected by intellectual and developmental disabilities during their daily work experience.

We look forward to continuing our partnership with Pathfinders for Autism in future training opportunities.

Sincerely,

Sgt. Anthony Riley

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