

Confidential Host Family Reference

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Name of host family _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip/Postal Code _____

Telephone (Home) _____ (Work) _____

Name of person completing this form _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip/Postal Code _____

Telephone (Home) _____ (Work) _____

This family has applied to host a participant in the US/Japanese Exchange Program. A host family represents US culture to the visitor, and is important in the success of the exchange experience. Any information you give us will be useful in placing individuals with host families. Thank you for providing this reference. **All information is confidential and will only be used to select host families.**

How long have you known this family? _____

Is your association professional or social? _____

How often do you see the family? _____

Do you know all members of the family equally well? _____

What special interests does the family have (camping, horses, photography, art, cooking, sewing, sports, etc.)? _____

How do you feel this family will adjust to unexpected situations, different customs, etc.? _____

How do you feel that this family will welcome a visitor of a different religion and different ethnic background? _____

What are the family's greatest strengths? _____

What are the family's weaknesses? _____

Are you aware of any drug, alcohol, or child abuse on the part of any member of the family? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, please explain _____

Would a young foreign visitor find this family (including the children) supportive and understanding of his/her difficulties in adjusting to strange customs, foods and relationships? _____

Would you feel comfortable placing your teenaged child with this family? _____

Would you recommend this family to host a participant?

___ Very strongly ___ Yes ___ With some hesitation ___ No (If "no", please explain.)

Signature _____

Date _____

Please return this form to the Exchange Coordinator below:

Name _____

Address _____