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Dear Nominations and Elections Committee:

I am very pleased to endorse the nomination of Mike Peacock for Nominations and Elections Committee chair. It is a role with which he is very familiar; prior to his election as our national second vice-president, he spent two terms in this position, setting a solid precedent in making the nominations and elections process visible, transparent, and accessible to all members. During his time as the committee chair, he publicized the call for nominations at regional and national conferences throughout the year, ensured that available positions were clearly posted online, immediately made nominees' statements and endorsement letters available to members, and ensured the viability of online as well as onsite voting. He made every possible effort to guarantee that members were informed and able to participate in the election.

Mike's service at the national level is consistently stellar. For the past two years in his role as second vice-president, Mike has coordinated an outstanding leadership retreat and exceeded expectations as a liaison to KOTESOL's special interest groups (SIGs). He has actively facilitated interaction among the SIGs, helping to ensure the SIGs' visibility in the KOTESOL community; supervised the creation of multiple new SIGs; and looked for ways to involve the SIGs in national events and increase their value to members. Indeed, the SIG breakfasts that have become a highlight of our annual national conference were Mike's idea, offering a welcoming space for both socializing and SIG introductions.

Mike has demonstrated his enthusiasm and reliability in other leadership roles, as well. He previously served as International Outreach Committee chair, acting as a conscientious liaison to our overseas partners and facilitating participation by KOTESOL at our international partners' conferences; we have served together on the International Conference Committee for the past eight years, and he has always proven responsible and thorough; and I know I can expect high quality events from Daejeon-Chungcheong Chapter, of which he is the president.

Mike is one of the first people I contact when I need help; I know I can rely on him not only to cheerfully and confidently offer his services but also to do a superb job on whatever task is before him. He has consistently proven trustworthy, dependable, dedicated, and sincere, and I welcome his continued participation as a leader persisting in his tradition of reliable and remarkable service to the organization.

Sincerely,

Lindsay Herron
KOTESOL Immediate Past President