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Superior Court of Washington, County of Kitsap

In re the parenting & support of:
Adeline Marylynn Feulner, (child)

Petitioner/s (*person/s who started this case*):
Heather Lynn Wood (mother)

And Respondent/s (*other party/parties*):
Lenard Ray Feulner (father)

No. 07-3-01713-1

Declaration of Lisa Smith

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DECLARATION

I, Lisa Smith, am a US citizen over the age of 18, and a resident of the State of Washington; the facts that I have provided on this form are true.

This letter shares insights about my experience with Heather Wood in her role as mother of Adeline, her daughter.

I have known Heather for almost 10 years. We first met at the school where our daughters were attending. There is about a three year difference in age between our two daughters.

Heather also attended our faith community where she faithfully brought Adeline every Sunday and participated in community activities until the circumstances changed.

We and our daughters have stayed connected through birthday parties, local events and over meals throughout the years. I also knew Heather



through a local business planning program where she launched a small business, applied for a microloan, and paid it back on time.

Heather consistently helped Adeline to develop her gifts and talents. She helped Adeline sell her art, develop her music with a violin, become skilled in high school toward an auto mechanic certificate and so much more. Heather sacrificed so much so that Adeline would have opportunities to learn and grow and become independent, all while living on the edges of our economy.

Heather is one of the hardest working single moms I have ever met. She has prioritized her daughter's well-being and safety and has worked hard to make enough income to raise Adeline in alignment with her values.

Heather is incredibly resourceful, talented, creative and disciplined. She created and designed a whole curriculum, composed music and an event on bees and beekeeping at the school.

Heather and Adeline installed hives all over Olympia to demonstrate the nexus of sustainability, creativity, nutrition, and community. She later lectured at different libraries in Western Washington on bees. She worked full time at a high end grocery in Tacoma and a myriad other gigs to support her and Adeline. She did this with integrity and grit.

Heather has consistently worked to protect Adeline. Raising a daughter as a single parent isn't easy without support. And yet, Heather advocated for Adeline when her daughter was mistreated at a private elementary school, at our faith community and in so many other ways.

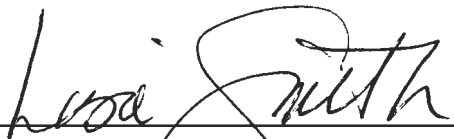
Heather protected her daughter and encouraged her to make healthy friendship choices.

Parenting is incredibly hard work. Heather, with very little resources and support, did all of this and created avenues for Adeline to explore new opportunities to grow her skills, values and discipline.

Adeline has a core of goodness, integrity and light inside her. She is strong, articulate, caring, bright and thoughtful, in large part, because of how she was raised. They are both in our prayers and in our hearts.

Thank you for this opportunity to share these perspectives.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington that the facts I have provided are true.

X 
Signed at (city and state): Olympia, WA

Date: 8-27-23

Person making this motion signs here _____ Print name here:

Lisa Smith