## Approved Sample Letter

## DEANS RECOMMENDATION TO PROVOST

Provost Sally Kornbluth 220 Allen Building Duke University

| Dear Provost Kornbluth:                                                                                                                                               |
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| I transmit to you the recommendation that be appointed/promoted to the rank of Professor (with tenure), in the department/school of                                   |
| Comments on candidate's strengths and weaknesses provided by review committee:                                                                                        |
| Candidate's contribution to the discipline's ongoing intellectual agenda:                                                                                             |
| Candidate's broad field and subfield; evidence concerning whether or not these fields continue to be intellectually vibrant and promising of important contributions: |
| Cross-disciplinary research areas, applied areas, and/or methodologies from different disciplines that are relevant to this candidate's work:                         |
| (For External Hires) Context and nature of search process, current status of recruitment efforts:                                                                     |
| Issues in faculty committee report:                                                                                                                                   |
| Issues in department chair's report:                                                                                                                                  |
| Assessment of the department chair's positioning of the candidate relative to the tenured faculty:                                                                    |
| Dean's critical perspective and independent recommendation:                                                                                                           |
| Sincerely,                                                                                                                                                            |
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| Dean                                                                                                                                                                  |