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REQUEST FOR POSTHUMOUS DEGREE FOR MS. SAMANTHA J. WARD

I am writing on behalf of the Department of Psychology to request that Ms. Samantha J. Ward be granted the baccalaureate degree posthumously. Ms. Ward was an NMU senior in the Graduate Preparation option for Psychology majors. She passed away suddenly in January, 2014.

Ms. Ward was a student in good standing, with a GPA of 3.26 and enough credit hours to be within eight hours of graduating. She had registered for those last eight hours to be completed during the current semester, with graduation planned for the May 2014 commencement. Those faculty members of Psychology who knew her consider her to have been a strong student with a positive attitude, and support this request for granting her a posthumous degree.

Thank you for your help and consideration in this matter.

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