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To the MAEOE Green School Certification Committee:

This letter serves as confirmation that Hemalatha Bhaskaran, a teacher at James M. Bennett High School, completed 18 hours of professional development with Pickering Creek Audubon Center's *Audubon Stream Exploration and Restoration* program in 2016.

Hemalatha attended three after-school trainings on February 9, February 16, and March 1, 2016. Each of these trainings were two hours and focused on developing student-led action projects to improve local stream and creek health. She also attended a two-day workshop from July 26-27, 2016, for twelve hours of professional development. During the summer workshop, teachers concentrated on changing land and natural resource use over time on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, and how those changes have impacted both local water quality and the lives of Eastern Shore residents. During the summer training, teachers worked with staff from Pickering Creek Audubon Center, Maryland Environmental Service (Poplar Island), Phillips Wharf Environmental Center, and the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information. I can be reached at 410-822-4903 or at [jbunting@audubon.org](mailto:jbunting@audubon.org).

Sincerely,

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