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ATTN: Marilyn Mitchell or Joe Angolia

TO: SELECTION COMMITTEE for the

DAWAHARES / KHSAA HALL of FAME.

This is a recommendation letter in support of S Gale Travis for the DAWAHARES / KHSAA HALL of FAME.

I have known Gale since she was a student in the seventh grade. Gale was an excellent student during her junior high and high school career. After graduation from high school she then completed her BS, Masters and Rank I degrees from 1975 to 1981 while teaching in the Hopkins County School System. (Attachment A)

Over the next 36 years she taught in the business department at Madisonville North Hopkins with the last 17 years serving as the Athletic Administrator at North Hopkins. During those years she served in many capacities within the school. (Attachment B)

During her educational tenure, Gale has been associated with many professional affiliations and continues to be very active at the local, state, and national level. (Attachment C)

As the team physician for Madisonville North Hopkins School from 1978 to the present, I worked with Gale during her Athletic Administration years. She was very professional, knowledgeable, and cooperative with the coaching staffs and most of all very caring for her students and athletes. She was well known for working sixteen hour days, arriving at 6:00 am to mentor students and staying all day and into the night for the many athletic events which she personally attended.

In conclusion, I believe S. Gale Travis to be a very worthy and deserving candidate to be considered for admittance to the DAWAHARES/KHSAA HALL of FAME. Thanking you in advance for your consideration.

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ATTACHMENT A

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

1970	graduate of Madisonville North Hopkins High School
1975	graduate of Western Kentucky University BS in Business Education
1975	began substitute teaching in Hopkins County
1978	received Master's Degree from Western Ky University (Bus Ed)
1978	began fulltime teaching in the MNHHS business department
1981	received Rank I (Business Education) from Murray University

ATTACHMENT B

EDUCATIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Business teacher, Department Chair, Co-op Coordinator
Athletic Administrator (17 years)
Supervisor of Student Services
School Truancy Officer
Various school supervisory duties
Homecoming, Senior Recognition, & Extracurricular Chairperson
Coordinator of Community Activities for Senior Athletes
Mentor
Facilitator for MHHHS Title IX Committee
School Liaison for Maroon Booster Council
Chairperson of Madisonville All Sports Hall of Fame Committee

ATTACHMENT C

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS & ACTIVITIES HCEA, KEA, NEA, KHSAA, KHSADA, NIAAA

KHSAA

Former member of the state baseball & volleyball advisory committee
Former member of the state track & cross country advisory committee

KHSADA

Board Secretary Leadership Training Institute Instructor 20- year member certificate of merit recipient

NIAAA

National LTI Faculty Member NFHS Coaches' Education Instructor Presenter at National Conference 20-year member certificate of merit recipient



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April 26, 2019

NEVILLE MOORE (1899-1982) CARROLL MORROW (1907-1990)

KHSAA Attn: Marilyn Mitchell 2280 Executive Drive Lexington, Kentucky 40505

Re: Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame

Dear Sir or Madam:

I would like to join in the nomination of S. Gale Travis to the Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame.

Ms. Travis has had a long, distinguished career in high school athletics, and is a 1970 graduate of Madisonville North Hopkins High School and a 1975 graduate of Western Kentucky University. She eventually returned to her alma mater of Madisonville North Hopkins where she had a distinguished career in Athletic Administration in addition to her teaching duties as a Business Teacher.

She was in Athletic Administration for seventeen years and was recognized by the school for her service after her retirement in August 2011, when she was inducted into the Madisonville All Sports Hall of Fame.

Ms. Travis has many accomplishments and it is hard to write them all, but among her accomplishments are the fact that she was the third Athletic Director in the Commonwealth of Kentucky to obtain the level of Certified Master Athletic Administrator (2003), was one of five finalists for the Kentucky Athletic Director of the Year, and was a Region Two and State of Kentucky Athletic Director of the Year in 2010.

I cannot give any higher recommendation and nomination than that of Gale Travis for the Hall of Fame, but should you have any further questions, please let me know.

Respectfully,

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September 4, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is in reference to S. Gale Travis, candidate for the Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame. I have had the pleasure of working alongside and collaborating with Mrs. Travis for the past 23 years. As she values education, desires to help grow athletics statewide and nationally, and is dedicated to the development of young people, I fully believe that Mrs. Travis deserves the highest of recommendations.

Gale began her educational path in Hopkins County in 1975 as a substitute teacher and was hired full-time a few years later. Throughout her career, she was a teacher, Department Chair, Truancy Officer, and Student Services Coordinator. Such educational focus soon led her to take over as Administrator of Athletics at Madisonville North Hopkins High School, a position which she held for 17 years.

In the role as Athletic Administrator, Mrs. Travis was driven to excel for the betterment of her student-athletes and athletic programs statewide and nationally. She has been a member of many professional organizations such as KHSADA for 20 years, (Board Secretary and Training Instructor), and NIAAA for 20 years, (National NTI Faculty Instructor), and was affiliated with the KHSAA advisory committees in the sports of baseball, track, cross country, and volleyball. During her tenure, she attained the level of Certified Master Athletic Administrator in 2003, one of only 3 in Kentucky. She has been a finalist for both KY and NHSCA AD of the Year, and she was selected AD of the Year in Kentucky in 2010. In retirement, she is still a member of the Madisonville All Sports Hall of Fame Committee, participates as Secretary for KHSADA, and is the Chair of the Retired ADs for KHSADA. Gale remains an LTI instructor, continues to mentor new ADs across the state and still teaches classes for NIAAA at national conferences.

It is therefore that I recommend without reservation Mrs. S. Gale Travis for the Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame. With more passionate, selfless leaders like Gale, the future of athletics in Kentucky will truly be in good hands.

Sincerely,

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Hopkins County Schools