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Dear Fritz,

I am pleased to submit this letter in support of the promotion of Dr. Krishnareddy Gujavarty from the rank of Clinical Assistant Professor of Psychiatry to Clinical Associate Professor of Psychiatry. I have worked closely with Dr. Gujavarty for more than four years, as a collaborator on research projects, as a team-mate in both the in-patient unit at 10-North and the Affective Disorders Clinic in the OPD, and as a fellow teacher and member of the Department.

I have come to know his professional work very well. He is a dedicated and responsible clinician, well trained (in our own residency training program, I might add), with a sincere interest in our patients. He shows good clinical judgement, relates well to patients and their families, and is very well liked by our co-workers. He reads the literature avidly, and often presents the latest clinical findings in our case conferences. He has accepted additional assignments within the Department, including the medical management of the cases in the Sleep Disorders Program when it was headed by Drs. Mitler and Baker, scientists without clinical certification.

His knowledge of clinical psychiatry is excellent, and he likes to teach. In addition to the supervision of residents, for many years he has taught psychopharmacology to each rotation of third year clerks. Each year, he has accepted the responsibility for presentations in our Grand Rounds program.

He has accepted numerous departmental administrative assignments with enthusiasm; the latest is his appointment as acting clinical director for the in-patient unit at University Hospital — a position which he is carrying out with elan.

In his research work, he has made independent observations and reports in sleep physiology and convulsive therapy. At present, he is principal investigator in drug therapy studies.

His greatest strengths are in clinical care and the teaching of medical students and residents. In his research, he has been slow to identify an area of expertise, although his recent sleep studies show considerable promise of achieving wider recognition.

I am delighted to recommend his promotion to associate professorial rank. He is a dedicated, reliable, and loyal member of our staff and we have come to depend on him for his clinical and teaching skills.

This letter may be shared with Krish.

Sincerely yours,

Max Fink, M.D.
Professor of Psychiatry