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Wagner Bridger, M.D.
Medical College of Pennsylvania
3200 Henry Avenue
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Dear Wagner,

I am delighted to recommend the faculty appointment of **Charles Shagass, M.D.** as Professor of Psychiatry at MCP.

I have known Charlie since 1955, when he had developed the sedation threshold test, the first of the modern biological tests for classification of the mentally ill. It was my good fortune to undertake confirming studies of this work which remains an important part of my evaluation of patients.

A leader in electrophysiology, Charlie has written numerous books and articles on EEG and behavior. A leader in the academic world, he has been instrumental in propelling the Society of Biological Psychiatry to the forefront in biological psychiatry. A leader in the international scene in biological psychiatry, he was instrumental in organizing the International congresses of biological psychiatry.

His record includes all aspects of professorial activity -- pre-eminent research, active teaching, administrative leadership, and important clinical contributions.

Charlie is well liked by his peers and his co-workers, as witnessed by the many honors and appointments that he has had.

I recommend his appointment as Professor, with enthusiasm and without hesitation or reservation.

Sincerely yours,

Max Fink, M.D.
Professor of Psychiatry