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To Whom It May Concern,

I am in support of the research that Dr. Marshall Burns is conducting on consensual juvenile sexuality. I admire his courage to investigate an area of human sexuality which is controversial, under-researched, and of utmost importance for us all to have a better understanding of the complexities of human sexuality.

I am a licensed psychotherapist in the state of California (MFC39060) with a doctorate in human sexuality (DHS). I am certified by the American Association of Sex Educators, Counselors and Therapists (AASECT) as a Sex Educator (2002), Sex Therapist (2004), and as a Supervisor of sex therapy candidates (2009). I have been a professor of human sexuality for 15 years, conducted pioneering research into the sexualities of blind people, have published articles and a book, and was president of the western region of the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality (2010). I have served on the Los Angeles Police Department's Vice Commission on Public Sex (2001), am certified by CASOMB (California Sex Offender Management Board) as a treatment provider, and have been active in many public sexual health concerns over the past three decades. I have opened a sexual health clinic in Rancho Mirage (Desert Center for Sexuality Awareness), and we collaborate with the Riverside County Department of Mental Health with a program we created (SEER) Sex Education Enhancing Recovery.

This important work that Dr. Burns is conducting is unparalleled in any previous research. His investigations are somewhat anthropological in their rich case presentations, which give a face to an otherwise anonymous topic. I fully support Dr. Burns being funded, assisted, and supported in his endeavor to shed light into this rather closeted aspect of human sexuality.

Sincerely,

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