## To whom it may concern:

I have served on the advisory board for the Biomedical Sciences program at Keiser University, Tampa campus, since October 2015. Within that time, I have been able to witness the continued growth and remarkable strengthening of the program. At each board meeting, many important topics and concerns are discussed, and I have been impressed by the speediness with which the changes and suggestions have been implemented. When I first joined the advisory board, the laboratory was very basic with only a few pieces of scientific equipment. In the short time since then, the laboratory has expanded tremendously, and the students now have access to highly useful equipment such as a fluorescent microscope and a plate reader. The leadership of the program is extremely effective at facilitating learning for the students, with both hands-on training in the laboratory and general instruction in the classroom.

In addition to serving on the advisory board, I have had the honor to visit the campus on multiple occasions and give guest lectures to the students in the Biomedical Sciences program. As a molecular pharmacology and physiology research scientist, I typically present topics that are immediately relevant to my research, which gives the students the opportunity to see real-world applications of the topics and material that they cover during their coursework. Each time I visit for a guest lecture, I cover complex topics and I am always impressed at the level of critical thinking and intelligence of the students. The high-quality education that the students receive is obvious and the scientific knowledge of most of the students is exemplary. Based on my interactions with the faculty and students of the Biomedical Sciences program, I would have no hesitation in allowing them to work alongside me doing research in my laboratory.

Sincerely,

John Canfield