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To whom it may concern

**LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION - DR. NIELS CHRISTIAN HVIDT**

I would like to add my support to the project that Mr. Hvidt has proposed as a research project concerning miracles. The value of such a study from the perspective of ecumenical interest is enormous. From the point of view of systematic theology and the theology of revelation such an in depth study must be undertaken since it will have to deal with theories of hermeneutics from the past and their validation or dismissal. The research needs to likewise take into account new theories coming from such specialists as Paul Ricoeur and J. Habermas as well as traditional authors dealing with the relationship of faith, reason and miracles such as R. Bultmann. The results of this study could, therefore, contribute to a further convergence among Catholic, Orthodox, Anglican and Protestant theologies of (ongoing) revelation and their relationship to unexplainable manifestations of the divine through healings and/or extraordinary interventions in nature. Not only will this project need to deal with the theological, hermeneutic and biblical realities but also with the anthropological and psychological.

I have known and collaborated with Mr. Hvidt for many years and believe that he is a serious and capable scholar and merits to be supported in this project.

Respectfully yours,

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