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To Whom it May Concern:

I would like to formally request a research permit to conduct research in Indonesia. I am a Ph.D. student in the Department of Teaching and Learning, Policy and Leadership at the University of Maryland, College Park. I hope to collect data for my dissertation study from August, 2017 to March, 2018 in the city of Salatiga, Central Java and in the Kabupaten of Semarang, Central Java.

My study is entitled *Becoming an English Teacher: The Learning, Practices, and Beliefs of Novice Indonesian Teachers of English*. The objective of this study is to understand how novice Indonesian teachers of English learn to teach, what they believe about effective language teaching, and what practices they use to teach English during their early years of teaching. I hope that findings and implications from this study will be of interest to teacher trainers in Indonesia, who could prepare English teachers more effectively if they had a better understanding of how novice Indonesian teachers of English learn to teach and begin to do so during their early years in the classroom.

To fund my research, I will receive the Flagship Fellowship from the University of Maryland. This fellowship will be sufficient to cover my research and living expenses in Indonesia. I am in good health, both mentally and physically, and am able to conduct this study. My academic sponsor in Indonesia is Hanung Triyoko, S.S., M.Hum., M.Ed., who is head of the Language Development Unit at the Institut Agama Islam Negeri, Salatiga (IAIN Salatiga). Further details about my research, including methods, participants, and concepts of interest, can be found in my research proposal.

After receipt of the foreign research permit, I will apply for and collect my visa at the Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia in Washington, DC, located at:

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Please let me know if you need any further information about my application for a foreign research permit. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tabitha Kidwell". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.

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