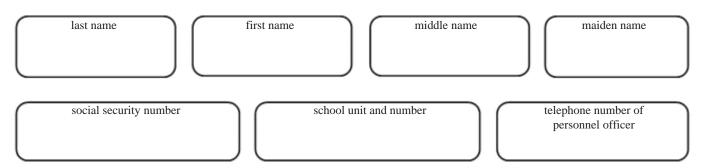
LEA RECOMMENDATION FOR DESIGNATION AS "HIGHLY QUALIFIED"

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It is the responsibility of the employing LEA to follow the NCLB criteria for establishing that a teacher is "highly qualified." The accountability for the recommendation provided on this form, should there be a federal audit, rests with the LEA.

The above teacher meets the NCLB "highly qualified" criteria for the licensure area

(please provide area and license code)

based on the following (*check applicable item*):

Met testing in the area based on NC testing requirement

Met testing in the area based on another state's testing requirement (specify state: _____)

Undergraduate academic major

Coursework equivalent to an academic major

Graduate degree

Master's level licensure or above

NBPTS Certification

LEA

Signature of Superintendent or designated Personnel Administrator

Date

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