**Homestay Letter of Reference Questionnaire**

**Czech Heritage Foundation, Inc.**

Thank you for providing a Letter of Reference for this applicant who wishes to participate in our foundation’s Homestay Program, featuring a very special educational experience abroad. This applicant will be involved in a challenging exercise in cross-cultural adjustment which includes an extended period of living (3 weeks) as a member of a family in the Czech Republic. To succeed, the applicant must have a high degree of motivation and the ability to adjust to people of different social and cultural backgrounds – sometimes under difficult conditions. We cannot overemphasize the value of your candid appraisal in assisting us to determine whether or not the applicant is ready for this type of experience. Please indicate, by checking the appropriate spaces below, your estimation of the applicant’s characteristics. Please add any comments you would like to the back of this form. Again, thank you for your time and thoughtfulness.

Your Name Position/Title

Telephone Email

Signature Date

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Name of Homestay Program Applicant

1. In what capacity and over what period of time have you known the applicant?
2. Ability to cope with new situations (food, discomfort).
3. Would you enjoy having the applicant:
	* As a member of your family for a month? Y / N
	* As a member of a group for who you were responsible? Y / N
4. Describe one strength and one weakness the applicant possesses.

**Please complete and email this form to Holly Stepanek, Homestay Program Chair (****hastepanek@gmail.com****)**