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I am pleased to write a letter of endorsement for the Introduction to Suicidology workshop offered by Pete Bliss and his colleagues. I have been a bereavement therapist in Cleveland for over 30 years. In addition, I teach the undergraduate Death and Dying course at CWRU. I can honestly say that Pete's program is one of the most comprehensive and relatable program for anyone hoping to understand the nature of the field of suicide: how to prevent it, how to help a client or friend who may be expressing suicidal ideation, and when a loved one takes their life, how to navigate the special grief concerns with this type of loss.

This program is important for police, fire fighters, community social workers, counseling agencies, school personnel, and clergy. Participants will leave with practical, hands-on tools to navigate the very unique circumstances of suicide. I highly recommend Pete's program for anyone wanting to make a difference in the lives of people they work with or serve.

Please feel free to call me if I Can be of further assistance.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Julia Ellifritt". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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