



---

Consul General  
of the Republic of Poland  
in Vancouver

Vancouver, March, 14<sup>th</sup> 2016

**To whom it may concern,**

I am writing to provide a reference for Maria and Wally Placewicz from BARKA.

Maria and Wally Placewicz at BARKA worked with the Polish Consulate and Alberta Health Services in Edmonton to safely escort a patient whom had suffered a Traumatic Brain Injury to return home to Poland. BARKA worked with the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Social Service in Poland, and have recently updated that the patient is now living in an appropriate facility receiving disability income in Poland. I do not know how this would have been possible without the hard work and compassion of BARKA.

BARKA went above and beyond to help the patient, family and work with the care team. The outstanding work of BARKA's volunteers who are assisting many misfortune families, elders and also young person dependent on drugs and alcohol and their help provided to different immigrants grope are worth to be highly appreciated. BARKA is a very professional organization who clearly and truly had the patient's best interests in mind.

I cannot speak highly enough of Maria and Wally Placewicz at BARKA. I am so grateful for their compassion, diligence and hard work.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require further information.

Krzysztof Olendzki  
Consul General  
of the Republic of Poland  
in Vancouver

1600-1177 West Hastings Street  
V6E 2K3 Vancouver, Canada

Phone: +1 604 6883458  
Fax: +1 604 6883537  
vancouver.kg.sekretariat@msz.gov.pl  
www.vancouver.msz.gov.pl