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Dear Quilters,

I have known Camelia McNeil Elliott since 2001 when I interviewed her for a writing assignment for *Quilt World*. I was so impressed with her quilting style and creativity that I interviewed her again in 2005 for a piece for *Quilter's World* and again in 2006 for *Piecework Magazine*.

We have worked on several quilting projects together and have visited each other in Texas and Virginia. I've enjoyed getting to know Camelia and she is a fine quilter who never fails to inspire me with her creativity and her "git 'er done" attitude.

She has had quilts on display in the National Quilting Museum in Paducah, Kentucky, and the museum in Floyd, Virginia, as well as several regional quilt shows, including the Ogallala Quilt Society in Dimmitt, Texas, and the Mountain Comforts Quilt Show in Ferrum, Virginia.

Camelia also gives back to the community. She has designed, pieced, and quilted three wall hangings for the P. Buckley Moss Foundation, raising a total of \$3,000 that helps children with learning disabilities.

I have proofread quilt patterns for Camelia and will be sewing her new designs to check for clarity and accuracy of pattern instructions. Camelia is also a fine teacher, who gives clear instructions and encouragement to students.

With her people skills, focus, and work ethic, sprinkled with energy and creativity, students will enjoy learning new techniques in Camelia's classes and lectures.

Happy quilting,

Gilda Bryant

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