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To whom it may concern,

It was Rousseau in the "Social Contract" who stated, "Strongest is never strong enough to be master all the time, unless he transforms force into right and obedience into duty." Dan Uress, a former student of ours, may in fact now exemplify such a strength. When Dan first entered our American Studies room he along with the other sophomore students were seeking direction amidst the morass of your typical school day. Unlike some of the others, however, Dan left the classroom as a young man with purpose and noble ambition. Dan Uress is a strong candidate for your fine institution and comes to you highly recommended.

Dan Uress' strengths may not be as easily assessed as others. Although academically his record speaks for itself it is those qualities which often defy empirical evidence which sustains the strength of his future. Dan has learned to seek the righteous causes. His character is marked by his trustworthiness and compassion. He is motivated by a sense of honor and duty as opposed to merely giving in to some utilitarian ethic. Though his transcript may appear to be ordinary the quality of his character is in fact extraordinary. His resolve to better himself animates all those who cross his path.

It is with great pleasure that we can recommend to you Dan Uress. Emerson said, "character is higher than intellect." Schools often acknowledge and measure 'intellect.' Teachers, however, observe each and every day the 'character' of their students. We highly recommend to you the 'character' of Dan Uress. Our 'social contract' is made more secure with the likes of him.

Sincerely,

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