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To Whom It May Concern:

It is my great pleasure to craft a letter for your consideration regarding Cole Baren. I have been fortunate to watch Cole grow into an exemplary young adult over the past five years, and am continually in awe of his commitment to excellence in the academic, athletic, and personal realms.

As Cole's lead middle school teacher at a small Montessori school, I was able to see just how praiseworthy a student Cole is. He is dedicated, self-confident, and enthusiastic, and his work was always of the highest quality. Not only is Cole extremely intelligent with an innate ability to grasp new ideas rapidly, but he could easily assist his fellow classmates and could always be counted on to mentor his peers. To put it simply, Cole's genuine kindness towards others is unparalleled.

To this day, I frequently recognize how much of a growth mindset Cole has adopted in his life. He has an incredible "can do" attitude and, by choice, works tirelessly to obtain new knowledge and master new skills. Cole's magnificent work ethic, combined with his desire for excellence and his abundant wisdom, make him the perfect candidate for any program. It was truly a pleasure to work with such a talented young man and I have no reservations in recommending Cole for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Erica Sherlock", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

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