January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023

To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing this recommendation on behalf of Travis Gates.

When I first met Travis, he had moved into Prescott, AZ from Flagstaff. I still remember shaking his hand and him looking me in the eye the very first time I met him. From Day 1 he was very respectful and the tryout went really well. I could see that he had some work to do, but I also saw a HUGE amount of potential. In the few seasons I was able to spend with him, I have seen nothing but a tremendous teammate who wants to excel personally but is also very supportive of those around him and supportive of the tough decisions that coaches must make. He is a true team player. Additionally, THE. KID. WORKS. HARD!!!! As a result, I have seen such rapid improvement that he has confirmed my instincts to be correct, as I have watched him develop into an incredible pitcher, a solid third baseman, and the kid smokes the ball at the plate. He also comes from an incredible family that also understands the dynamics of coaching and playing on a team, AS A TEAM.

It has been a pleasure for me to work with Travis, as well as see how the work he puts in on his own time. His work ethic and coachability makes him an asset to any team he plays for.

Matt Keppel Head Coach Prescott Rebels