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Dear Sir or Madame,

With great enthusiasm, I am happy to recommend Andrew Johnson for the Valeant Dermatology ASPIRE HIGHER Scholarship. I have known Andrew all of his life and watched him constantly improve himself into a fine person. He has a wit for business and a passion for working with people that shines in his athletic experiences.

He long ago polished his academic skills and in high school, his 3.61 GPA shows that he is determined and capable of accomplishing great things academically. His natural athletic ability has also been refined through hard work and working well with his coaches.

But while Andrew is clearly mentally and physically fit, what impresses me most about Andrew is how he uses his skills in the community. Rather than simply shine on his own, Andrew uses his skills to help others, through team leadership such a track team captain, coaching of youth sports such as local Flag Football, organizing his Youth group, President of the Inventors Club at school and managing a Habitat for Humanity Team to install ten home sprinkler systems. It's clear that Andrew is a leader with a clever mind for solving and organizing people to get things done.

Finally, in addition to Andrew's leadership and intelligence, I admire that he still finds the time to pursue his own personal inspiration like building an American Ninja course in his backyard and also the time to drive 4 hours to give assistance and care to his amputee grandfather.

As an Adj. Professor at Santa Clara University, I always hope for students such as Andrew, who bring their own knowledge and experience to the enrichment of the class, sharing and constructing a better experience for everyone. Aside from teaching, I am also an angel investor in Silicon Valley. I am certain that Andrew will become a master of business and I look forward to hearing of his accomplishments and even working with him.

Sincerely,

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