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To whom it may concern,

I am pleased to recommend Stephen Dang for the 2025/2026 AMSI Summer Vacation Research Scholarship. Stephen is in his third year of the Bachelor of Data Science at the Queensland University of Technology (QUT) and is a high-achieving student with a current GPA of 6.675/7.000. His skills in statistics, mathematics, and data analytics align strongly with the project he is applying for, "Comparison of Regression-Adjusted ABC and Neural Methods for Simulation-Based Inference."

Stephen has demonstrated both motivation and capability for research. He successfully completed projects requiring related skills during the 2024/2025 QUT Vacation Research Experience Scheme and the 2025 Mid-Year Research Experience Scheme, where he showed diligence, analytical rigour, and the ability to learn quickly. He is majoring in statistics and machine learning and has completed subjects directly relevant to the proposed project, positioning him to contribute meaningfully from the outset.

Stephen has also expressed a clear interest in higher degree research following his undergraduate studies, particularly an Honours degree. The six-week summer project will offer valuable research experience and a solid foundation should he continue with this or related work in further research degrees. Given his background, performance, and enthusiasm, I am confident he will make strong progress on the proposed project.

In summary, I strongly recommend Stephen for the AMSI Summer Vacation Research Scholarship for 2025/2026. Please feel free to contact me if further information would be helpful.

Sincerely,

Christopher Drovandi