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# INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

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To Whom It May Concern,

It is with great respect and enthusiasm that I recommend Gurkeerat Singh Kakar, who served as Vice-President Internal for the International Student Association (ISA) at the University of Alberta during the 2024–2025 term. In this demanding role, Gurkeerat distinguished himself through his sharp operational leadership, unmatched reliability, and unwavering commitment to improving the student experience on campus.

As VP Internal, Gurkeerat was the backbone of ISA's logistics and operations. He was responsible for managing the full spectrum of internal assets, including event inventory, documentation, budgeting coordination, and executive team workflows. His organized and system-oriented approach ensured that every ISA initiative, from small community events to our large-scale Welcome Day and summer BBQ, was executed smoothly and efficiently.

Gurkeerat also oversaw volunteer and executive recruitment, developing a structured onboarding process that attracted and retained highly motivated individuals. His efforts strengthened the internal culture of ISA, making it a collaborative and dependable team environment.

One of Gurkeerat's most impactful contributions was the revival of the I-Card program, a flagship ISA initiative offering student discounts across Edmonton. He led the entire revival process, from vendor outreach and partnership renewal to print design and distribution, resulting in a successful relaunch that benefited hundreds of international students. This program's revival significantly increased ISA's value to its members and enhanced our long-term presence in the community.

In addition, Gurkeerat played a central role in setting up and overseeing the ISA next-election process, ensuring it was transparent, timely, and accessible to all students. His attention to procedural integrity and fairness helped build trust in ISA's internal governance and set a strong precedent for future leadership transitions.

Above all, Gurkeerat is dependable, humble, and action-oriented. His calm demeanor, problem-solving mindset, and team-first attitude made him one of the most respected and admired members of the executive board.

I offer my strongest recommendation for his future endeavors.

Sincerely,  
**Ramish Raza and Hannan Sandhu**  
Co-Presidents, 2024-25  
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