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Dear SEAHO Awards and Recognition Committee,

It is my honor and pleasure to nominate Becca McQueen, Assistant Director of Residence Life—Danieley Center, for the James C. Grimm Outstanding New Professional Award. I have known Becca for going on two years now both professionally and personally. *I have consistently been impressed with Becca's work ethic, ability to connect with students, and unweaving commitment to our profession.* It is with full confidence that I recommend Becca for this award.

In Becca's position at Elon, she is responsible for the largest residential area of campus, which totals roughly 750 students. She manages a staff of almost 20! Also because of her area's large size, Becca has to handle the greatest amount of judicial cases, which outnumber the other areas by leaps and bounds. As a collateral assignment, Becca advises the Resident Student Association, which in and of itself could be its own full-time job. Outside of her job description, Becca also teaches an introductory course for first year students called Elon 101 and serves as their academic advisor, advises the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) student organization, Spectrum, and during this Winter Term served as an advisor on a study abroad trip to Austrelia. *Becca gives above and beyond her call of duty and is passionately invested in the lives of students through her work.* She has a natural ability to make students feel at ease and relate to her, which is very evident in the bond that her staff has with one another. In an environment like Elon where it is fast paced and everyone is working hard, it is difficult to sometimes see just how incredible another staff member is doing. I am glad to be getting to take a moment to tell you just how amazing she is! *Becca is a shining star who deserves being recognized for how hard she works, how well she works, and how much she glows!*

If that was not enough, Becca is also involved in the North Carolina Housing Officers (NCHO) where she has served this past year as the Programming Chair and was just elected the SEAHO Representative for NCHO. From her outstanding involvement with this organization, I am confident that she will be a great resource to connect NCHO with SEAHO and visa versa. Becca was born in North Carolina, raised in Kentucky, and attended undergrad and graduate school in North Carolina. She has a deep connection to this area and is proud of where she comes from. I think this speaks highly of her respect for the SEAHO region and her willingness to give back to NCHO and SEAHO. As a new professional myself, it is valuable to have other new professionals to look to as examples of what a student affairs professional who is compentent, dedicated, and committed looks like. *Becca serves as an excellent role model not only to our students, but also all of the other staff and faculty who she interacts with.* In my opinion, Becca is what SEAHO is looking for in their next James C. Grimm Outstanding New Professional Award recipient!

Thank you,

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