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To Whom It May Concern,

I am not currently job-seeking, however, I am always open to new opportunities in life and whatever paths they could potentially lead me in the future. Therefore, I'm planning to just leave this cover letter on my portfolio for now just in case.

I personally do not support how job-hiring is done in technology, including ATS, after my own short experience dealing with it, and thus I no longer try to follow those types of guidelines or standards. This is just my own concise account of where I am currently as a professional:

- Since I started learning coding, I have loved it, which has made it an easy career choice.
   That being said, I do not believe in limiting myself to just one thing, and I have many interests outside of coding that I love pursuing just as equally.
- I have had difficulties in the past, which made for a rocky academic road as a student, but
  I have always been regarded academically as amongst the top of my class in a general
  sense. I am the son of two medical doctors: my father is just now nearing retirement,
  while my mother retired when she moved here from Korea to raise my sister and I.
- I previously won the William S. Thomas prize at Gilman School, which is given to the top scholar of each class annually from grades 8-12, as well as the valedictorian. Despite the start of a difficult period of my life, I scored well on the SATs, including a perfect 800 Math. I've won three academically-related awards at the university-level, which are listed at the end of my resume, and I have always been the student that classmates came to for help during the semester, whatever the final outcome ended up being.
- I first tried software development on a complete whim upon moving to Atlanta. At my bootcamp, I excelled and completed two full-stack projects on the side of the three projects I did for class. My teacher, Gary Storey, the head of Macy's Technology in Gwinnett for twelve years and now a Senior Engineering Consultant at Levvel.io, has written a Linked-in recommendation for me and is serving as a job reference.
- I started my professional career by helping to build a MERN-stack mobile app for HearBK as an intern. In this role, I worked remotely with a senior developer on a two-person team to meet a product release deadline, and I found success despite a very heavy workload.
- I am a software developer for iVoyant LLC, and our team is currently working for our client AT&T Cricket at their headquarters in Lenox Park, GA. I was hired mainly to serve as a React specialist working on the front-end. As part of the conditions of my hiring, I was asked to resign from the HearBK internship and another part-time front-end developer position with Project Cost Solutions that I had originally intended to keep.
- Finally, I plan to start a part-time, online MS of Biotechnology program with Johns Hopkins this upcoming summer, but this will mostly be for personal fulfillment.