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To Whom It May Concern,

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. These are simply my pristine words about where I am right now as professional:

- Since I started learning coding, I have loved it, but I do not believe in limiting myself to just one thing. 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 as amongst the top of my class throughout my life. 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. My parents have promoted education and learning as integral life values constantly, even to this very day.
- 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. Especially since my college days, I have believed in deeply and fully understanding all sub-concepts in order to fully master a broad subject instead of simply studying for a high grade.
- I started learning software development at the recommendation of several people I met upon moving to Atlanta. Since starting my full-stack immersive bootcamp on July 2019, I excelled. I stopped attending my bootcamp two weeks before demo day because class was too slow, and I was more productive by myself at home. I was not given a certificate of completion at the end despite having easily completed all requirements, however, 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 willing to vindicate my bootcamp performance in any way.
- 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 became the first person from my bootcamp cohort to find a full-time, non-remote software developer position when I was hired by iVoyant LLC in Feb 2020. I originally planned to fulfill the rest of my contract with HearBK and begin a part-time, remote front-end developer position with Project Cost Solutions on the side, but at the request of iVoyant, I resigned from them both instead. Currently, I am working on a five-person team with iVoyant for our client AT&T Cricket at their corporate office in Lenox Park, GA.

- I was accepted admission to Johns Hopkins University for their part-time, online MS of Biotechnology program on March 23, 2020, and I plan to begin taking classes this coming summer. This is not necessarily connected to my current career path, however.

I believe I have a strong work ethic, life values, and good intentions, and I have always been eager to learn pretty much everything I can, including the study habits that help me learn the most effectively. I am well aware of my shortcomings in every way, however I would not even be writing this letter right now if I did not truly feel deep inside that I have a great amount of potential to fulfill a software development need at some point, if perhaps I can be given some amount of guidance along the way. Thank you!