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Dear HR Team,

I have always been curious and fascinated by computers. As a child, I was drawn to computers partially due to graphics and video games. Later I became more interested in operating systems and networking. I have spent time writing low level code as well as high level code in many languages. While in school I was exposed to relational databases and found them to be another interest of mine.

I am quite aware that the computer business is just that a business. At my last job, I spent time profiling network and memory usage and was able to make changes that had cost savings. For example, after changing some network code to use a different type of handshake on the initial connection we lowered our AWS bill by $20k/month.

Programming has been a passion of mine. I have spent much time reading books and reading lots of source code from successful projects and unsuccessful projects as well. I have come to realize that writing code that avoids adding accidental complexities and ends with code that is as simple as possible is key to making systems that can be maintained and extended easily. One of the biggest compliments I received was 'Reading your code is a joy', after giving my code to a new maintainer. Along with programming I also enjoy building systems. By this, I mean creating things that involve many programs working together.

I would greatly appreciate the opportunity to meet with you and further discuss my qualifications and your requirements in detail. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

John de la Garza