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To Whom This May Concern

I am writing to express my interest in JP Morgan's Markets Full Time Analyst position. As a candidate pursuing a Masters in Public Policy with an focus on Finance and Policy at the University of Chicago's Harris School of Public Policy expecting to graduate in June 2024, I am confident that my academic background, quantitative and analytical skills, and policy expertise make me an ideal candidate for this role.

My background in public policy has strengthened my ability to analyze the potential impacts of economic and political events on financial markets, both in the near-term and long-term. I have developed an intuitive understanding of decision-making under uncertainty that is applicable to governments, corporations, and individuals. Through my training in rigorous analysis and objective evaluation of policy decisions and their outcomes, I have learned that I am well suited for results-oriented roles where the quality of one's thinking can be quantified in terms of profits and losses.

Relevant coursework I have completed at Harris and at UChicago Booth School of Business include Corporate Finance, Applied Financial Management, Microeconomics for Public Policy, and Macroeconomic Policymaking, and Financial Markets and Institutions. Through these classes, I have gained fluency in the myriad factors that impact investment performance and value creation levers within firms. The quantitative backbone of my masters program has strengthened my technical competencies in statistical analysis, data-driven decision making, financial modeling, and research.

Prior to beginning graduate school, I completed two internships at Bainbridge Consulting as a business analyst intern, and at PwC, as an Assurance Financial Markets & Real Estate intern. In both these roles, I gained crucial experience helping clients solve problems and derive insights through financial modelling and data analysis. Whilst interning at Bainbridge Consulting, my team collaborated closely with a local startup in identifying a competitive niche for their software service and devising a pricing strategy based on market research of competitors and surveys of target consumers.

This past summer I had an opportunity to apply my knowledge of financial markets and quantitative skillset in a real-world context as a research assistant at UChicago's Becker Friedman Institute, where I studied the link between inflation regimes and equity returns by looking at the historical correlations between equity and bond excess returns. My responsibilities entailed compiling and cleaning datasets, running regressions and interpreting the econometric outcomes, preparing data visualizations to highlight important trends in the data, and performing literature review on prior works studying the link between inflation and asset returns for a research project. This experience was especially valuable in allowing me to build upon the works of past contributors to the field of asset pricing research by exploring and testing new theories with real world significance. The opportunity to participate in expanding our collective understanding of the field, in my capacity as a summer research assistant was immensely gratifying and increased my appetite for further probing.

JP Morgan's prominence as a financial leader along with its commitment to serving the communities where it operates resonates with me as a student of public policy aligned with the firm's public facing ethos. The firm's outsized role in spearheading private sector engagement on societal and global

challenges brings new meaning to the "financial services" industry, where financial institutions have separated themselves from the major issues facing society. Ultimately, I believe my academic background, experience in finance, and quantitative skillset, make me a strong candidate for the position at your firm. Please find my resume attached; I look forward to discussing my interests and qualifications further. Thank you for your time and consideration of my application.

Kind Regards,

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