Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing this letter with pleasure to recommend Ms. Shidi Zhao for acceptance into your graduate program.

I acquainted Ms. Shidi in my course, Numerical Analysis, in fall 2011. Although this course is quite difficult for a first-year undergraduate student, her performance was impressive. She prepared good questions for my class, and finished projects perfectly. In my view, I think she owns a strong self-study ability and gets well prepared for her advanced study. In my course, I introduced a useful software to her, and she mastered it immediately. Obviously, she is a quick learner. From my perspective, Ms. Shidi is a sunshine girl with a great dream and a clear goal. She did survive in Zhiyuan College, an elite institute, that is, she has overcome all difficulties and become a potential researcher.

What distinguishes her from others is her effort on numerical analysis method and interest in computational method. In her biophysics course, she successfully implemented Hodgkin-Huxley model by Euler method, and then solved Euler equations in Hydrodynamics by Lax–Friedrichs method. I was really satisfied with her excellent performance and impressed by her strong computer skills.

To sum up, I strongly recommend her. Any assistance you could render to her application for admission and financial assistance will be highly appreciated. If further information regarding this promising young girl is needed, please feel free to contact me directly.

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