Dear Mr. Salter,

It is my sincere pleasure to recommend Michael Mong for an internship at Objex Design. I have known Michael over the course of 5 years, ever since he was a sophomore in high school when he was participating in FIRST Robotics, an international robotics competition. As his team mentor, I had the privilege of watching him prosper in the program, transitioning from a young student who would casually come in during his free time to work on the robot into an experienced role model capable of leading the team to victory during his senior year when he was elected team president. Michael’s skill progression during this time was astounding: initially he knew almost nothing but by the end, he was incredibly proficient in CAD and gained a profound instinct for mechanisms. At the end of his senior year I was able to continue working with Michael for the next two years as I hired him as an intern at my company, Rev Robotics. It has been a pleasure working with him over the years as he is a hard worker, always willing to learn new skills to improve himself, and is able to think creatively and work independently to complete projects assigned to him.

Michael has consistently demonstrated his ability to learn new skills on his own. For instance, after serving as a pit crew member despite only having just joined the team the previous semester, Michael spent the following summer teaching himself CAD and was then able to come back and lead an FTC team, the smaller version of FIRST Robotics, further improving his CAD skills. From there, he became a design team lead during his junior year, taking responsibility for prototyping and manufacturing a pneumatically actuated claw. Michael proved himself in this role, establishing himself as an innovative thinker with the ability to lead others to complete a task. These leadership skills were recognized when he was elected to be the president of the team, a position where he did an excellent job of leading his own small group building the core part of the robot while making sure the other subteams were communicating effectively to ensure the robot was completed efficiently and on schedule.

While working at Rev Robotics for the past two years, Michael has proven himself in a professional environment. During this time he has completed many independent projects ranging from creating documentation for products to designing unique robots in order to demonstrate the many uses of our build system. In one such case, the company’s leadership left to attend an event for a week and upon our return the design, assembly, and programming of a working scaled Wall-E robot(From the Pixar Movie) was completed.

Again, I am happy to recommend Michael as a valuable team member and an overall wonderful person to work with. He always seems to give his best and if he doesn’t possess a skill he needs he is more than willing to go out of his way to obtain it. I trust that Michael will be a fantastic addition to your team at Objex Design. I do not think you will be disappointed.

Best wishes,

Greg Needel