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To the members of the Sultan Education Association Scholarship Committee:

I am writing to wholeheartedly recommend Vanessa Gomez-Martinez as a recipient of your scholarship. I have had the privilege of teaching Vanessa over the past year in my English Language Arts 12 class. In this time, she has both excelled as a student and showed exceptional character as a young human being. Her contributions to the classroom culture this year have been invaluable and will be sorely missed when she graduates.

After overcoming some academic challenges in her early high school career, Vanessa showed incredible resilience by earning a 4.0 GPA in her junior year. She is well into continuing the trend now in her senior year. However, this rare academic achievement is not fully illustrated by the GPA metric alone. Vanessa shows no signs of stopping her pursuit of excellence and I believe her ambition and desire to learn will help her excel through her next phase of life and learning.

Vanessa's deep interest in becoming a veterinarian has been a primary motivation for her success in school. Her involvement in the Sno-Isle Veterinary Assisting program has shown a commitment to achieving her dreams. In this program, she has experienced hands-on skill development and an immersive internship. During her internship, she assisted with procedures that were technically and emotionally challenging. This equipped her with firsthand experience that will ready her for the realities of the career so that she can make an impact in her field.

In addition to her academic pursuits, Vanessa is socially and emotionally exceptional. She extends the same caring disposition she has for animals to her peers and the staff at our high school. Vanessa is frequently ahead of the class on her assignments and takes time to ensure that her classmates are gaining mastery of the material as well. Additionally, her multilingual abilities allow her to connect with students and staff in unique ways. She is passionate about connecting with people from diverse backgrounds, which displays her commitment to fostering community ties in Sultan.

In summation, Vanessa embodies all the desired qualities of a dedicated student and aspiring veterinarian. She deserves the recognition of her community for her commitment to bettering the environment at Sultan High School. I do not doubt that she will make an honorable recipient of your scholarship and will certainly utilize the opportunity to pursue excellence in the next phase of her personal and academic life.

Please contact me for more information about my perspective on Vanessa's achievements, character, and qualifications.

Sincerely,

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