**March 24, 2024**

**Sultan Education Foundation**

**PO Box 541**

**Sultan, WA 98294**

**RE: Reference Letter for Derek Feltner**

**To whom it may concern,**

**With great pleasure, I recommend Derek Feltner for the Sultan Education Foundation Scholarship Program. I first met Derek when he was part of our Before & After School child care program. It was evident even at a young age that he was a leader in the making. Some years later, Derek began working at the Sultan Boys & Girls Club as a Youth Development Professional during the Summer of 2022 and not only returned for our 2023 Summer Program, but continued on as a permanent part-time employee during the school year.**

**Derek’s work ethic and overall positive outlook at the Club has contributed to his being a valued member of the staff and mentor to the youth who attend. He was recently nominated as the Sultan Boys & Girls Club’s Youth of the Year. This is probably the pinnacle accomplishment for the youth within our Organization.**

**I know that Derek wants to continue making an impact on younger generations by becoming an educator himself. I am confident that he will make great strides in what ever path he chooses. To sum it up, I believe that Derek is a deserving candidate for the Education Foundation Scholarship and I appreciate your consideration.**

**Please feel free to contact me at 360-793-2515 or** [**ccrawford@bgcsc.org**](mailto:ccrawford@bgcsc.org) **should you require further information or have any questions.**

**Best Regards,**

**Cherise R. Crawford**

**Unit Director – Sultan Boys & Girls Club**