Forewarning: I do not currently live in California, but I am moving in a month.

Dear Recruiter,

I recently finished a temporary programming job and intend to relocate to San Francisco. These are two dreams that have been reoccurring since high school. After more than 5 years, I believe I finally have a chance to actualize both.

The government software contractors of ancient technology on the east side didn’t exactly excite me. I chose San Francisco because it has a diverse population, many outdoors options, and a great entertainment industry, which is where my career belongs.

The reason I believe I could be a good programmer or designer is because of my traits. I am slightly minimalistic and slightly perfectionistic, which makes me good at criticizing, but terrible to watch mainstream movies with. When these traits are imposed on code, a logically simple, efficient program often emerges. If not, I’ll later discover how awful it was and fix it.

Although my work experience mostly consists of .NET, I imagine the concepts behind the components of .NET, such as object mapping (LINQ to SQL), UI (ASP.NET/WinForms), and Web Services, will lessen the learning curve of Java frameworks.

Detailed in my resume, you will see I have experience in other fields as well (hotels, surprise!). I am confident that working in the city of my dreams, I would be overly motivated to work for any company. Thank you actually reading this, I really do appreciate it.

Sincerely,  
Rahil Patel