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Attn: Canadian Artificial Intelligence Association

Re: Outstanding MSc. Thesis award for Kurt Routley

I am pleased to nominate Kurt Routley's thesis "A Markov Game Model for Valuing Player Actions in Ice Hockey" to be recognized as an outstanding thesis by the Canadian Artificial Intelligence Association. Kurt's thesis was among the best of those completed in our School in 2015. I fully expect that it is among the best in Canada. His thesis uses fundamental AI techniques to advance hockey analytics. This is a topic with great economic and social impact, especially in Canada. It will help the general public appreciate and relate to AI research.

Sincerely,

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