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Dear GoDaddy Recruitment Team,

I'm writing to you today about your "Software Engineer" position that I found through LinkedIn and what I can contribute to the company and its users as a member of your team.

In my senior year at Harvey Mudd College, I was commissioned along with four other people by GoDaddy Inc. to complete a stand-alone feature to their website builder as part of my senior capstone project. We worked with Director of Product Management Heidi Gibson and Software Developer Jacob Page throughout this process. I was involved in the full cycle development of the application but I found myself tending more to the front end and user experience portions of the project, designing, prototyping, implementing, and testing our software. My team's other responsibilities for the project included writing technical reports, giving several presentations to either the general public, professors, or GoDaddy executives, and meeting regularly with Heidi and Jacob. Although my team members and I had little front-end experience prior to the project, we were able to successfully deliver our application using technologies such as React, Webpack, and Node in addition to teaching ourselves Javascript, HTML, and CSS methodologies along the way. As a result, our quick learning and adaptability was awarded the Outstanding Team award at the end of the year, and I feel that this resourcefulness coming from mostly a backend background will make me a valuable asset to the team despite my junior-level software engineering experience.

Alongside my technical skills, my work experience as a creative graphic designer gives me an elevated sense of design, and my various soft skills attained from leadership and management positions enable me to be as cooperative and diplomatic as possible in group settings and always act in the interest of the team. Organizations I have made designs for have enjoyed a significant improvement in professionalism, branding, and marketing success, and the teams I have led demonstrated increased membership recruitment/retention and productivity in work hours. I equally enjoy working together with individuals in both team and client/provider situations.

I love nothing more than creating products that help small business owners flourish as your company does, and I take it very seriously when my users are unhappy or find problems. As such, I strongly believe my unique perspective and experience coupled with my user-friendly and user-driven problem solving allows me to fit naturally in a position at your company. I look forward to hearing from you soon, and please let me know if you have any questions about my resume, portfolio, LinkedIn, or GitHub.

Many thanks,
Terrence James Diaz