

February 14, 2022

Dear Selection Committee:

I am pleased to offer this sincere and strong recommendation for Mr. José Perez. During the past three years, I have served as his faculty advisor in the Curriculum, Instruction, and the Science of Learning PhD program at the University at Buffalo, the State University of New York. In all our interactions, José has proven to be an outstanding contributor and emerging scholar.

Mr. Perez is an excellent student who inspires all members of our learning community. He asks critical questions and seeks to collaborate to identify solutions. His perseverance is impressive; he consistently sets extraordinarily high standards and then strives to meet or even exceed them.

In addition to his academic achievements, Mr. Perez has developed a foundation in honor of his late parents: the Victor & Francisca Perez Foundation, Inc. Mr. Perez has explained that this foundation is intended to teach young people from historically marginalized groups to succeed in the fields of science and technology. Ultimately, Mr. Perez plans to earn his PhD in order to influence others to develop and implement technological advances in education.

Thank you for your consideration of Mr. José Perez. He is a worthy candidate whose efforts will certainly benefit any organization fortunate enough to include him.

Sincerely,



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