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To Whom It May Concern;

I am writing you in reference to Blake James Sumrall, a talented individual that I've had the privilege of knowing in nearly every facet of life. Be it professional, creative, intellectual, or personal, Blake has exhibited an incredible capacity of compassion, work-ethic, and intelligence while maintaining well-mannered individualism.

Professionally, Blake and I worked together as part of the marketing and creative team at Steve Spangler Science. While we were both allowed to flex our creative mentalities and abilities, Blake truly excelled with the freedom he was given. It was a privilege to work alongside Blake as his design skills (mostly self-taught) were a pleasure for which to write copy.

It was through working together that we became friends, and eventually, band mates. Whether we were discussing politics, music, or our general state of life, Blake shone through his understanding of others' opinions and thoughts while simultaneously expressing his own in a manner that was both respectful and passionate.

In our time knowing each other, I have seen Blake create content for a multitude of mediums, nailing them all. While with Steve Spangler Science, he worked on a multitude of catalogs, web pages, and mailings. His work was timely, creative, and essential to the growth and prosperity our company experienced during his time. While band mates, I realized the natural ear and understanding he has for music, from its formative stages through the finer touches.

In short, Blake is one of the most inventive and well-spoken people I've had the pleasure of interacting with. Placing stock in him, his talents, and his potential would be a leap in the right direction for any corporation, small business, or venture. I cannot endorse him enough.

In utmost sincerity,



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