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RE: Niveda Mahesh

To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that I recommend Niveda Mahesh for entrance to your prestigious Harvard University. I have known Niveda for three years now, having first worked with her on her Girl Scout Silver Award "Go Green Recycling Awareness" initiative back in 2019. It was immediately obvious that this young lady was going to make a difference in our community and quite possibly the world.

Her passion, commitment and determination shined brightly in every step of her project. She led her team by setting the example of doing what ever was necessary to achieve the goal. She did not let hurdles get in her way. For example, after hearing her pitch on which items were recyclable, many customers simply handed over their waste as it was. Niveda took the items home and cleaned and/or separated them to properly prepare them for recycling.

Niveda is open minded and diligent in every task I have ever seen her take on. When she was pursuing her Silver with the "Go Green" project, I suggested that she also consider talking with children about recycling. She did not hesitate. Niveda was immediately on board to attend one our McTeacher Nights where a local school invites parents and students out to raise funds for their school. She relished this opportunity to encourage the community's youngest citizens to take part in recycling too.

After having such an inspiring experience working with Niveda, I was delighted to join her in her quest for Gold. In beginning the process, I learned much more about her academic accomplishments and other extracurricular activities. When she reached out to ask me to be her Project Advisor for her Girl Scout Gold Award, as we moved forward, she simply referred to me as a mentor. I thought to myself, with all that this young lady has accomplished I really need to ask her to be my mentor! She juggled her academics, participating in three varsity sports, on-going efforts as the president of her non-profit 4Girls 4Change and still managed to coordinate and direct the Food Donation mission with our McDonald's restaurant. Her perseverance is nothing short of astonishing.

It has been an honor just getting to know Niveda. I feel as if I am a better person simply for having been a part of her journey. By allowing Niveda to enter your university, I have no doubt that you will be helping society as a whole. I am confident that she will succeed in her pursuit of obtaining a degree in Environmental/Earth Science and apply that education to a meaningful and powerful force to improve life on our planet Earth.

Sincerely,

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