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To Whom It May Concern:

I write this recommendation for Imari Matthews, who is an applicant for a membership in your sorority. Imari was a student in two English courses with me during the spring of 2021 (English 110C and English 101). I remember her well because of her enthusiasm, willingness to learn, and dedication as a student, and I feel that I have an opportunity to reflect on her work in a way that most instructors may not; given that I taught Imari in two classes during the same semester, I had many chances to talk with her one on one, despite both courses being online.

When teaching Imari, I could see her intellectual curiosity emerge. Imari is one of those students who is eager to participate, and I suspect that if I had taught her in a physical classroom, she might be a student who would sit at the front. During what we call “pandemic learning,” however, Imari did not have that opportunity, yet she stood out among classmates as a leader. She was comfortable participating and facilitated learning for the rest of her class because of her willingness to share ideas and get involved. Her work included learning how to write personal and academic essays, along with professional writing skills.

Imari is a quick learner and will be self-motivated; likewise, she will ask for guidance when needed. I predict her success, and for those reasons, I highly recommend her for the sorority and believe she has a good work ethic and personality to serve as a future leader and representative of your organization.

Respectfully,

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