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Dear admissions committee,

I welcome this opportunity to recommend Mostafa Mehrdad for a place at your prestigious graduate program. He is an extraordinary student and an exceptional individual, energetic, studious, and ambitious.

Mostafa is one of the best students I have ever seen throughout my academic life. He passed one course under my supervision and got A grade score. In addition, Mostafa helped me as a teacher assistant in the "Air pollution engineering principals" course, helping to organize student workshops as well as solving further problems for them. During this time, I grew increasingly impressed by his academic and personal achievements. In addition to his outstanding work in a challenging postgraduate civil and environmental engineering program, Mostafa generously assisted others both on and off-campus. He provided tutoring for other students.

Most important to a career in academics is research competence. I found that he has excellent skills critical to a successful career in research, such as tenacity and excellent problem solving and critical thinking skills. Through developing his thesis under my supervision, I found him very serious and his capability to research is highly noticeable. I witnessed Mostafa in his first independent research efforts. Similar to other students, Mostafa struggled with finding an appropriate topic. Unlike other students, he conducted mini literature reviews on potential topics and discussed his ideas with sophistication.

I am delighted we have had him as research assistant in our department working on the national project of implementing Basel convention in Iran. I found Mostafa a hard working person and with a very good perseverance besides his excellent teamwork skills.

Given Mostafa's remarkable qualities as a research student and as a person, and his exceptional persistence in research, I assure you that he will serve your program exceedingly well. He sets the highest standards for himself and does not rest until he accomplishes all that he sets out to do. I recommend him most highly and without reservation.

Sincerely,

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