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RE: Letter of Recommendation on behalf of Justyn Purser

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing on behalf of Justyn Purser. I taught and mentored Justyn during my time as an English Instructor with Northwest Indian College and as the Senior Grant Writer & Editor in the Grants Department for the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe (PGST). Justyn was a student at NWIC and later my colleague when he joined the team as a Grant Writer at PGST. One of my duties was to teach him the complex field of grant writing and to edit his written work. I can attest to Justyn's excellent capacity to complete an MPA degree and to use that degree to the benefit of the communities he serves.

Justyn is brilliant and patient, taking time to research and understand complex matters. He is an exceptional team member, respecting all in the group and always endeavoring to understand other's perspectives. When he identifies differences of opinion, he calmly questions not only others but also his own conclusions. In my opinion as a professional public administrator working within the government of the 13th most populous county in the nation (King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks, Water and Land Resources Division), this is the ideal mindset for one working within this field.

Justyn is one of the most capable people I have had the good fortune to work with. His ability to review detailed information and glean from it the most crucial aspects is excellent. He is equally capable of showing others how to do the same and is highly skilled in understanding, refining and applying complex instructions.

I, myself, have an MPA degree and I understand the rigor of the program and the usefulness of the education. Justyn is entirely capable of successfully completing the program and will put the education to excellent use within the community.

As a result of my knowledge of Justyn Purser, I highly recommend Evergreen grant him admission into the MPA Program.

Respectfully Submitted,



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