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Dear Don Diego Scholarship Foundation,

I am honored to write to you on behalf of Julia Bellavance. She is a wonderful young woman and an excellent student. I believe she would be a great candidate for any scholarship you may have available for her. Julia has been a student in my English class at River Valley Charter School over the past two school years and has demonstrated outstanding skills.

Julia has met the rigorous academics of River Valley head on and with great success. Julia comes in to talk with me, in addition to emailing me, seeking ways to improve her skills. Any constructive criticism given to her is always received graciously and as an encouragement to improve. This diligence led to her earning an "A" every semester in my class, and I am confident she will receive the same grade this semester as well. Julia also has been a consistent contributor to class discussions and is extremely insightful in our dialogues about literature.

In addition to her excellent academics, Julia is also extremely thoughtful and responsible. Her assignments are done on time and with great care put into them. She works well with her peers and is encouraging towards her classmates. I appreciate her positive attitude towards the work in my class and the gratitude she offers me. This was especially encouraging to me when classes were held via Zoom due to the COVID-19 pandemic. And while Julia has always been a good student in my class, I have still been able to witness growth in her both socially and academically.

Julia's skills, however, are not just limited to the classroom. While taking multiple courses at River Valley, she is also very involved in the local 4-H and has been for the past thirteen years. She has served as one of their Junior Leaders for three years and a Team Leader for four. And if that did not keep her busy enough, she has also played soccer for the past thirteen years. She played on our school's varsity team for two years as well as our track and field team for one. This is an important asset to River Valley because small schools like ours rely heavily on student involvement for extracurricular activities to be a success. But Julia's talents extend beyond the sports fields and 4-H service, she is also an avid artist who loves both painting with watercolors and doing mosaic arts. Knowing these things makes it all the more impressive that her grades are so strong.

Because of Julia's work ethic and strong character, I wholeheartedly recommend her for your scholarship program. I know she will work diligently to further her education in the field of architecture and will make the most of any opportunity you grant her.

Sincerely,  
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