For whom it may concern,

It is with great satisfaction that I would like to recommend Ariel Sucary Navarro as a highly qualified individual to get into your university. I had the pleasure of being responsible for Ariel as her direct coordinator throughout her entire 4 years journey as a student in the Meet educational program.

Meet is an educational program that teaches excellent Israeli and Palestinian students computer science, entrepreneurship, and leadership skills, in collaboration with the technological university of MIT. Before Ariel became a student in the program, she needed to go through a difficult selection process where she was chosen, out of approximately a thousand candidates, to be one of the 120 students of the cohort. This alone showcases her extraordinary abilities. Throughout her years as a student, Ariel continued to stand out amongst her excellent peers when it comes to both her intellectual and emotional intelligence. She showcased her EQ through her great social awareness and empathy, which, alongside her sociable and pleasant personality, made her a natural leader whom many respected and admired. She is vocal about her opinions, constantly bringing up insight that adds to the discussion, but equally a good listener and curious about hearing what others have to say even when those opinions strongly go against her beliefs. She is highly approachable and easygoing with her peers yet manages to instantly switch to being charismatic and sharp when in front of professionals.

Moreover, academically, Ariel displayed excellent skills in learning computer science. She learns and implements her newly acquired knowledge quickly, constantly asking curious questions with an interest in expanding her knowledge beyond the taught material. Her most outstanding performance in the program was especially noticeable in entrepreneurship, for she expressed great interest in the world of business and startup developments. Throughout her experience in the program, she displayed a lot of creativity and critical thinking on the projects that she developed or created which tackled environmental or social issues. As part of her second to third year in the program, she took part of the accelerator process which finally allowed her to work within a startup team. When assigning personal tracks to the students within their startup teams, the staff debated between three options for Ariel, as they believed she had what it takes in terms of capabilities and skills to a product manager, a UX-er (User Experience), or designer. When given the option, Ariel chose to be a designer in her startup team as it aligned with her ultimate vision of combining her passion for design and business.

Throughout her startup experience, Ariel put a lot of effort as a designer into shaping the branding material and interface of the startup's product. But the most commendable effort she put was in fact her ability to empathize and care about a problem she was not familiar with at all. Her startup team's main aim was to help provide more accessible transportation to Arab communities in Jerusalem. Neither the community nor the problem they were tackling as a startup were known well to Ariel. Yet she managed to find her passion to contribute to the development of the solution because she cared about the individuals in her team who do face this issue in their daily lives.

Throughout my experience with Ariel, I have witnessed a lot of growth in her. She is passion driven yet humble, able to stay true to herself and her needs without compromising the experiences of others. To say that I am happy to be writing a well-deserved recommendation letter for Ariel would be putting it lightly. I truly hope you will consider her application to your university.

I would be happy to answer any more inquiries if needed.

Best,

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