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Counselor Recommendation for Hanna Johnsson Stjernström

This is to confirm that Hanna Johnsson Stjernström, 010228-0245, was admitted to the Natural Sciences Program at ProCivitas Privata Gymnasium in Sweden, a private upper secondary school, in August 2017. ProCivitas is a top-ranked school to which only highly motivated students are admitted, most of them, like in Hanna's case, with perfect marks from compulsory school. The campus of ProCivitas in Malmö has 600 students. Our graduates generally continue to prestigious universities in Sweden and to an increasing extent also to top ranked universities abroad, primarily in the United Kingdom and the United States. As a senior counselor, I advise only our top students and keep a close relationship with them over the course of their high school years. Furthermore, in order to complete this recommendation, I have discussed this letter with all of Hanna's teachers.

It is with great pleasure I recommend Hanna for acceptance at a top ranked university. Hanna is an outstanding student with near perfect marks in all subjects. I rank her as top 2-3% at ProCivitas which is equal to top 0,5% nationally. She is interested in many different subject areas and performs at a very high level in all of her classes. Hanna receives extra praise from her biology and mathematics teachers who notes that Hanna shows an extraordinary curiosity in her classes, always asking questions and leading discussions. Her course load is the most demanding, which is further proof of her exceptional eagerness to learn. Hanna's predicted grades are straight A's and the faculty have her shortlisted for the prestigious award as Best Student Athlete at ProCivitas in Malmö in the class of 2020.

Her favorite teacher in mathematics tells me: "Hanna is one of the absolute best in class in mathematics. Hanna takes her studies very seriously and constantly questions her own knowledge. This means that she gets a deeper understanding of her mathematical skills than her fellow students. Her teacher in biology tells me: "She swallows every extra material I show to her and uses this extended knowledge in the classroom for a deeper understanding in our world of biology."

With the same passion she has for developing her academic skills, she uses in her swim diving. I understand Hanna is a talented swim diver with medals from competitions at the highest level in Nordic countries as well as Europe. This drive is due to her determination to reach her goal which she has set on a very high level. Her coach tells me: "Her strengths are that she is ambitious and dedicated and as well a popular and sought after trainer and role model for younger divers".

I also understand that she is a popular co-worker at a local bike store and at various sporting events. I take this as a proof of her capability of efficient time management.

Besides Hanna's top academic and athletic skills, she is an outgoing and social character always working to accomplish her goals. When I first met her in her first year she stunned me with her passion and ambition. She has so far initiated and implemented many different activities as well as inspired many younger students to engage in the student body. Hanna is a doer and walks the talk and is a useful resource at Open House Days using her friendly approach and persuasive smile in promoting ProCivitas to prospect students and parents.

Hanna is loyal and friendly and highly prized by her teachers and classmates. Many of her papers are used as "A-examples" for both classmates and younger students. Her desire to explore different cultures and to connect with new people, as well as her open-mindedness, has made her passionate about once again going abroad to pursue further academic studies.

I came to know Hanna very well during her first year when we started to discuss possible opportunities for her university studies. Over the past years I have followed her exciting journey from a fairly shy but very intelligent young student to a strong, mature and independent woman. Every time I meet Hanna at school, she is eager to discuss the latest discoveries and trends within her fields of interest. I know that Hanna would thrive at a school such as yours. She is very well prepared for university life and would contribute with her self-initiating mindset, her academic curiosity and her desire to learn from other's experiences. I firmly believe Hanna will make a great contribution to any organization in the future and all of our faculty are more than happy to give Hanna's college application our warmest support. I am very much looking forward to following her journey.

Next June, all staff and students at ProCivitas will be very sorry to wave goodbye to one of our best science and student athletes in the class of 2020. We will miss her academic achievements, her core values and her ability to deliver in all aspects!

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Peter Connée", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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