

Dear Selection Committee,

When I think of Jacob Kozlowski I am reminded of the quote, “Sometimes we live our lives like puzzle pieces turned upside down. Then along comes life, and it starts flipping them over, showing us and the world who we are.” Jacob is just that- a sophisticated, eclectic, and diverse young man who has much to give the world. I am not sure if even he sees the magnitude of his potential; however, it is there, and the possibilities for his future are endless.

I have had the pleasure of knowing Jacob for the last six years as a sponsor and a teacher. I have witnessed his growth as a student, as a writer, and as a strong independent man. His intelligence, humor, and drive to succeed are evident to all who have the pleasure of knowing him. Roseabeth Moss Kanter once said, “Creativity is a lot like looking at the world through a kaleidoscope. You look at a set of elements, the same ones everyone else sees, but then reassemble those floating bits and pieces into an exciting new possibility. Effective leaders are able to do this,” and so is Jacob. An active member of Student Council, Spanish National Honor, Speech and Debate, and Drama, Jacob demonstrates his tenacity, leadership, and diverse talents every day. He has truly made the most of his high school experience and does not shy away from difficult situations, classes, or people. Jacob is now prepared to enter into the next phase of his educational journey where I have no doubt he will continue to excel.

Just like any person, Jacob has met obstacles on his journey, but he has not allowed them to prevent his success. Deeply patriotic and concerned about our country, he has set out to make change through spreading knowledge about social issues and becoming a political activist. In addition to his academics and many activities, Jacob works part-time and has learned to prioritize and multi-task effectively. I am genuinely in awe of this young man as his passion, drive, and

tenacity make Jacob wise beyond his years. I have witnessed an incredible transformation in Jacob. What is most inspiring is that with maturity and understanding, he has not lost his joy for life or his passion for friends, family, and country. As he moves on to the next phase of his journey, my life will be far less exciting without him in it every day. I have learned much from Jacob, and it has been an honor to have been a part of his life for these last six years. I highly recommend Jacob Kozlowski for National Honor Society as he fully exhibits the traits for which the organization stands; scholarship, leadership, service, and character.

Sincerely,

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