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To Whom It May Concern,

It is my pleasure to strongly recommend Nicholas Staton for Homeless Committee Board Member.

My name is Adam Olendorf, I am a SF resident and student attending the Academy of Arts University. My first course of my degree started in the summer of 2021, which was where I met Nicholas through mutual classes.

During our courses together not only did I (and most of our class) come to rely on Nicholas's feedback and understanding of the material, I also came to rely on his positivity and work ethic. While most of us were struggling with the work he not only excelled but more importantly jumped in and helped the rest of us along when we were stuck. He would take time out of his day to set up zoom meetings and video recordings to get us through a rough concept.

One of the most important things we are taught about design is the need for empathy. Empathy towards other humans and their struggles. I can honestly say I do not know of any other man who embodies empathy more so than Nicholas. Whether It's simply helping a classmate with an assignment or volunteering for social causes he always has his finger on the pulse of those in need.

There have been countless times where I have also witnessed Nicholas giving instinctive help to those in need. From picking up and moving aside eyeglasses on the side walk so they don't get stepped on by passer-byers, to buying simple groceries to keep individuals going through the cold nights, and warm meals and whatever change he can spare. Nicholas demonstrates his empathy perfectly within the city.

I'm lucky to count Nicholas not only as a classmate, but as true friend. Between convincing me to spend some of my free time at the local animal shelter and being there when I needed to vent, I can say that my life has only been enriched since the summer I met him.

I am, without a doubt, confident that Nicholas would be a great fit for your committee. Not only will he bring the kind of skills and experiences you're looking for in an applicant, but he will also bring something I believe is lacking in society, empathy and compassion for a fellow person's struggle. Companionship.

If you need more information or specific examples, please do not hesitate to contact me at <u>adam.olendorf@gmail.com</u>. As a recommendation letter likely only provides a snapshot of his talents and experiences, I would be happy to further elaborate on my time getting to know him and the quality of his character.

Sincerely,

Adam Olendorf Industrial Design Student Academy of Arts University 20220221

Local Homeless Coordinating Board SF City Hall Committee 1 Dr Calton B Goodlett Pl, San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear admissions committee,

It is my pleasure to strongly recommend Mr. Nicholas Staton to take part as a board member for the Local Homeless Coordinating Board.

My name is GySgt. Anthony Folise and I am writing as a previous supervisor and mentor to at the time, Cpl. Staton.

For the 3 years that I have supervised Cpl. Staton, he had always been ahead of his peers in terms of responsibility and delegation. He acted above and beyond what any other Non-Commissioned Officer of mine would in his line of duty. He is a team player and withholds strong leadership principles.

Not only has Cpl. Staton demonstrated proper duty, but also passion and care amongst his own Marines. From what I can analyze, his Marines greatly held respect for him. Cpl. Staton demonstrated true character and leadership and is a model to emulate.

He is a perfect candidate for your position. His attention to detail, time & project management, organizational skills, communication and collaboration techniques, determined work ethic and integrity, is what sets him apart and makes him an extremely reliable and result driven individual.

I believe he is a strong fit for the people of San Francisco.

For further information, please contact me via email : <u>Anthony.folise@usmc.mil</u> or cell – (760) 331-3284

Thank you.

Andrew Putman

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To whom it may concern,

I'm writing this letter on behalf of Mr. Nicholas Staton, not to only sing praises as a student, but as a person I found to be an exceptional among his peers.

In my role as one of his instructors for 2021, I found Nicholas' insight into design both well-resolved and sophisticated for a semester 1 student. To that, he backed up every assignment with diligent work and a true intent to innovate. What I found most remarkable was his desire to show up every day and make real headway into learning the machines, their protocols and how he could best leverage their capacity to produce the best work possible. Not only did he put in the work to really get granular with the machines (lasers, jets, etc.), he leveraged them with a holistic sense of right-tool-for-right-job, which, itself, is a very difficult thing to teach.

To that, he assumed a leadership role in the class and wound up a valuable resource for other students that may not have the aptitude, and, in a sense, turned into an instructor in his own right. I have no doubt that this gentleman would be an asset to any team. As a selfless leader and true team player, I would welcome Nicholas to any outfit I would assemble and would encourage you to do so as well.

Class act, full of integrity and overall great person to have around.

Glad to discuss further,

Andrew Putman

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Dear Members of the Rules Committee:

As the former Chair of the Vehicle Triage Center in District 11, I am honored to support and endorse Mark Nagel, seat 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 for a position on the Local Homeless Coordinating Board (LHCB).

Mark's unwavering knowledge and issues dealing with homelessness in San Francisco and the co-founder of RescueSF makes him the perfect candidate to sit, as a member of the public, on this very important committee. It is absolutely the right time to bring in members to this board to start making concrete decisions in putting this issue behind us in San Francisco. Important and life saving decisions on homelessness, in San Francisco, need to be addressed and move forward in housing those in need.

Thank you for your consideration.

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