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Dr. Jarvis Miller Office of the President Texas A&M University College Station, TX

Dear Sir:

I would like to take this opportunity to express my deep appreciation for being able to discuss with you the problems I have noticed in the recruitment of Mexican-American students to Texas A&M.

Although the recipients of the Presidential Scholarship have been selected, I respectfully submit the name of Sandra Von Hatten for your consideration should one become available.

Sandra Von Hatten is a very gifted young lady who is a member of a very honored group-the 1% of her senior class of 450 at Foy H. Moody High School. She has a high inquisitive mind which enables her to understand and apply abstract concepts clearly, logically and analytically.

Sandra is a very poised young lady with a quiet and pleasing personality. She does not overwhelm you with "personality", but responds to the person she is meeting in such a manner that there is a warm-hearted satisfaction in knowing her. She has respect for human personality and the worth of the individual.

Sandra has taken the most challenging courses available to her. In all of these, difficulty has not deterred her

progress. She deligently strives to obtain the maximum in understanding and progress and achieves these goals.

I am impressed by her zest for life, her obvious interest in the world around her and her curiousity about it.

Sandra was selected to attend National Science Foundation programs last summer for outstanding science students at the following institutions: University of Wyoming (Biology), Wesleyan University (Biochemistry), San Diego State University (Chemistry). She attended Purdue University for seven weeks where she studied genetics and biochemistry.

Sandra was also selected to attend Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts.

Sandra was one of two girls and two boys selected to representethe City of Corpus Christi in its sister city program with Japan.

She is without doubt the outstanding Mexican-American girl graduating this year in Corpus Christi.

I do not believe there is a more worthy student. -- she has repeatedly demonstrated academic excellence, self-discipline, drive and emotional stability necessary to pursue her goal:of becoming a doctor of Veterinarian medicine.

Sandra shows outstanding promise for future academic honors in college.

Sandra's SAT test scores "do not" accurately reflect her true capabilities. I believe this is due to her spanish speaking home.

I strongly recommend her for a Presidential Scholarship. She will certainly be a fine college student and prove herself worthy of the trust placed on her as a recipient of this scholarship.

Sincerely,

Roland Rodriguez

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