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To Whom It May Concern,

I write this letter in enthusiast support of Andy Cobble, a recent graduate of the University of Oregon Department of Architecture. I know Andy through his enrollment in my two-term advanced architectural design studio where I became acquainted with him as a designer, a young professional, and a person.

In this studio sequence, Andy distinguished himself with his maturity, his perseverance, and his seriousness of purpose. He was a full participant in class discussions and projects and readily volunteered when there was a need for group assistance. He freely offered valuable suggestions to his classmates.

His design work was imaginative, skilled, and mature for someone with his level of experience. However, he actively sought critical evaluation of his design and his design process and thoughtfully incorporated suggestions into his work. He was able to employ his advanced media skills to actively explore alternative solutions.

Andy was organized in his work habits; typically being prepared for the day's discussion with sufficient drawings developed to an appropriate level. His thinking was organized such that he clearly understood the issues and succinctly articulated his thoughts about them. He was a good researcher with an ability to ask the appropriate question and find pertinent information. He was a good citizen, always volunteering when there was a need for work to benefit the group.

In summary, Andy is a bright young man, a skilled designer, dedicated to the task of developing his abilities, and focused on worthwhile long-term goals. As a relatively young professional, he has much to learn, but his intellect and his dedication will allow him to learn the necessary lessons quickly and combine them with his competence in other areas. He is already very skilled with the computer, having produced an animated walk-through of his final project, and he is a good model maker. These skills combined with the fact that he is also upbeat and a pleasant person to work with will make him an asset to any office. He is on-track to a distinguished professional career, and I wholeheartedly encourage you to consider the strengths he can bring to your organization.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rob Thallon".

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