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To Whom It May Concern:

I offer this letter of recommendation in support of Jeffrey Morse's scholarship applications.

Jeffrey has taken several of my courses this academic year, including Music History, Elementary Piano, Conducting, Chamber Choir and World Music. When he started at the beginning of last fall, he had very basic skills and rather limited exposure to music in general. However, he has made a tremendous progress in just these two semesters. He is self-motivated and works very hard in all of his classes. He makes connections, and is able to apply what he learns in each class to various aspects of music making to gain a deeper understanding and appreciation.

Jeffrey has experienced what one may call a 'tough' life. Through it all, he has come out to be a resilient, positive, and generously kind person. He is quick to offer help to other students in class, and goes out of his way to create useful tools for them. Jeffrey has many skills in computer science, counseling, radio station operations, and various other areas, and volunteers extensively to help people in need.

Jeffery is making a mid-life career transition by majoring in music. He started out wanting to write songs primarily for worship, but now has a stronger desire to polish his performance skills in guitar, keyboard and voice, and to further his study of music composition at the graduate level. His vision also includes operating a music studio as an alternative safe haven for children through music instruction and recording activities.

I believe Jeffrey Morse will work very hard to achieve his goals and will make a positive difference in the community. He is an excellent candidate for the scholarships. Please do not hesitate to contact me, if you have any further question regarding his qualifications.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Aya Ueda", is written over a horizontal line.

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