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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing on behalf of Matthew Malekhedayat. I have known Matthew since the winter quarter, when he enrolled in a graduate level class I was teaching on systems engineering. In the spring quarter, Matthew enrolled in my graduate course on launch vehicle and missile design. Being an undergraduate, I was initially impressed with his initiative and interest in the material. As I got to know Matthew, I became even more impressed and to be honest, I have been urging him to apply for roles at Raytheon, where I am also employed.

Matthew is a great addition to any classroom. He comes to class prepared, works hard to understand the material, and asks questions that demonstrate he is developing a deep understanding of the material, often times significantly deeper than his peers. I have no doubt that Matthew's academic success will translate into success in the aerospace industry. In addition to his technical skills, he is significantly beyond most of his peers in terms of the soft skills required to be a successful engineer; he is an excellent communicator, very patient, determined, curious, and he works well with others.

I strongly recommend Matthew for a role within your organization. I am confident that he has the skills and disposition to succeed as an aerospace engineer. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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