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Dear Scholarship Selection Committee,

I'm delighted to recommend Mark Jude for the Future Entrepreneurs Scholarship. I taught Mark AP Calculus classes, and I am the advisor for the high school Business Club, of which Mark is Vice President. I've known Mark for two years, and I've seen him use cleverness, business astute, hard work, and skills to achieve more than almost any high school student I know. I highly recommend him for this scholarship.

I first met Mark when he was a sophomore in my AP Calculus class. He stood out by being able to grasp Calculus concepts and engage in thoughtful discussion promptly. He's very experienced at being able to apply even abstract calculus concepts to real-world examples and comprehend how they impact everyday life. Mark has been an active participant and one of the highest-scoring students in the class, but he always takes time to help his classmates. By the time he was in my AP Calculus class, I could put him in a group with students striving to discern certain concepts and trust him to excellently answer any questions they had while I was working with other groups.

Despite being an outstanding student and considerate peer, Mark's most remarkable achievement is the business he began on his own and continues to run. At the end of his sophomore year, Mark came to me with a business plan for a tutoring business he wanted to run. It was exceptionally detailed, well-thought-out, and based on solid business principles, so I recommended giving it a shot. However, Mark not only got his business up and running, but he has also overseen to keep it going and even expanded it so that he now has three tutors working under him. He has shown tremendous drive and business skills, and I genuinely believe this is only the beginning for him.

Mark has talked about how he would use this scholarship to help expand his current tutoring business and begin a new business to help college students resell their books. I've looked over the plan for this new business, and it seems as well planned as his first. I doubt Mark has both the enthusiasm and the business sense to continue growing as an entrepreneur. I believe he would be an exceptionally deserving recipient of this award and that you can be sure he'd make the most of it, the way he has made the most of all opportunities he has had.

Sincerely,

Jeff Romeo

Mathematics Teacher.