

To: The Selection Committee

From: Brian Williamson

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RE: Recommendation for Jerika Harris - Hazelish Brady, JR. Scholarship

Dear Members of the Selection Committee,

I am delighted to write this letter in support of Jerika Harris's application for the Hazelish Brady, JR. Scholarship. As her instructor in the CIS 105 course at Spelman College, I have had the pleasure of working with Jerika and have witnessed her outstanding academic performance, leadership qualities, and unwavering commitment to her community. Jerika is a dedicated student currently pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences at Spelman College, maintaining a strong GPA of 3.03. She is an Elite Watson-Ginn Honors Program Scholar and a member of Alpha Lambda Delta Honors Society and the National Council of Negro Women. She is also involved in Sister's Chapel Movements of Praise Liturgical Series, further demonstrating her commitment to enriching the campus and her personal development.

Jerika's work experience includes her time as an Administrative Office Assistant with the City of Kennesaw Environmental Services. There, she played a key role in helping the city recover over \$40,000 by using her Excel skills to complete invoices, as well as assisting with budget tracking and managing critical documents. Jerika's administrative skills extend to her role as a Tutor/Student Mentor with Kennesaw Highschool's Youth Empowerment Program, where she provided valuable mentorship to at-risk students, fostering resilience and academic achievement. As well as extending herself while at Spelman college, becoming a SpeedReads reading guide, where she aided their mission of enhancing the reading skills of students impacted by an underserved community.

In addition to her professional accomplishments, Jerika has been recognized for her academic excellence and leadership. She is a recipient of multiple scholarships, including the Delta Career Academy Scholar, African American Civic Scholar, Goldman Sachs Scholarship, and C.B.A.F.T. Foundation Scholar. These honors reflect her dedication to academic success, personal growth, and her commitment to community service. What stands out most about Jerika, however, is her dedication to giving back to her community. She has volunteered with numerous organizations, such as Urban Recipe,