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To: ASHC Election Committee

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Letter of Endorsement for Mahad Dahir

To Whom it May Concern:

My name is Ellie Cassatt, and I am Mahad's academic advisor for the Achieve program at Highline College. I am recommending Mahad as Vice President of the student body at Highline College as he is a very organized and responsible student. Mahad has deep commitment to championing under privileged and under served individuals. His passion is with people with disabilities, especially within our immigrant population.

I know of a bill in WA state that Mahad was passionate about and helped advocate for and was instrumental in helping get it passed this past legislative session. The bill was for bring language resources to the K-12 system in WA state. This means that all students, especially immigrant students, would receive language services so that parents and families could participate in their children's education with the use of translation services, free to the families. As an immigrant himself, Mahad was especially diligent about helping this piece of legislation get passed.

Mahad is also passionate about services for, and for serving the community of people with disabilities. As a member of this community, Mahad has worked and supported his peers in the Achieve program. He is appreciated by his peers, and I, as his advisor, appreciate his efforts as well. Although most of the passion I see in Mahad has been in his efforts toward 2 specific communities, I feel Mahad would be equally passionate about elevating and supporting his fellow students at Highline College as Vice President.

Thank you for your time,
Ellie Cassatt