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Dear Ms. Munoz and the Ed Leadership Department,

As a current principal and SJSU Masters in Educational Leadership alumni, it is with great pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation for **Anthony Alvarado**. Although I have only had the privilege of working with him since August, I am confident that he is a perfect candidate for the Ed.D Leadership program at San Jose State University. Mr. Alvarado is ambitious, hardworking, innovative, reflective and analytical. His passion for helping our historically marginalized students and their families gives him the proper perspective when entering such a social justice-minded program such as the one at SJSU. Furthermore, Mr. Alvarado continuously strives to grow his knowledge base and strengthen his skillset, making him an ideal student.

Mr. Alvarado has committed his adult life to serving students in the educational setting. Not only has he spent over six years educating himself, earning two Master's degrees, but he has also spent close to a decade working with students in our district, advocating for them and their families. Mr. Alvarado continues to go above and beyond what is expected, not just for the students within his classroom, but for all students in the school. This year alone, Mr. Alvarado has organized a fantastic virtual Academic Awards Ceremony, coordinates monthly STEAM challenges for all students, attends School Site Council Meetings, volunteers monthly at our school's Second Harvest Food Bank distribution, and serves as one of our Tech Mentors on site, a responsibility which is unending in this time of distance learning. Mr. Alvarado sees the big picture and goes the extra mile to support our total school community because he understands that education is about serving the needs of the whole child.

With his passion for advocating for students and their families, Mr. Alvarado is ready for this opportunity to help him become a transformative school leader. He is prepared to refine his skills assessing pedagogies, practices, policies, and curricula that hold the potential to improve the life chances of minoritized students such as ours. I would love to see Mr. Alvarado fulfill his potential and I am confident in doing so he would make steps to dismantle the systemic inequities within our educational system. It would be a grave mistake not to admit Mr. Alvarado into the EdD Leadership Program at San Jose State.

Respectfully,

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