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To whom it may concern,

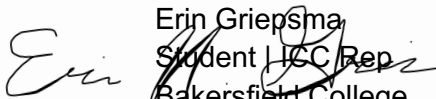
My name is Erin Griepsma and I am looking to fulfill the position of Student Organization Funding Manager. I am currently enrolled in the American Sign Language Interpreting Program here at Bakersfield College with a year and half left in my schooling schedule before I graduate with my Certificate in Interpreting. I too work as a General Manager for my friend's business, I too own my own business outside of that! Let's just say "I like a good challenge!"

With that small introduction, let's dive into my leadership background. I've held the positions of Commissioner of Social Activities on my high school ASB student body government board within my high school student government my Sophomore year at Bakersfield Christian High School (2010). I also served as the Social Media Director (2023), the President (2023-2024) and am currently the ICC Representative (2024-2025) for the American Sign Language Club here on the Bakersfield College (BC) campus. Aside from student government, I was a starting athlete in many different sports all throughout high school (JV and Varsity) with a focus in soccer playing the position of Goalie. I received the MVP award my sophomore year as a goalie and continued playing all the way to my first semester at BC in 2012 where I took the starting position there as well! My participation in extracurricular activities allowed me to learn how to effectively balance the tasks with which I was posed, while simultaneously managing my schoolwork all the while learning how to lead a group of my peers not from the back but by example from the front. In addition, I've grown quite accustomed to working with and around large groups and in teams.

By electing me, the BC SGA student body would be electing somebody experienced with student-run government as well as somebody with a collaborative work style and a heart for the students, faculty and colleagues that I would be assisting and representing. This team would be electing somebody who strives for excellence but also yearns to equip others so that our campus can become more exacted to be active with campus activities and traveling without the stress of all the ins and outs. I want to be a cornerstone for the BC SGA in terms of success along with being that positivity that people on campus are excited to be around, encouraging them to run with the idea of what funding can do for their organization. Moreover, I want to be a person whom you can come to with issues, ideas, or general concerns regarding the direction in which college policy may be going. I want to be an asset to this team!

As an BC SGA executive board member, I would like to find myself engaged with all of my classmates in order to create a successful and inclusive atmosphere, this being that I will make time to be available for them in person, via zoom, even by to going to them to help initiate that process; this creates a lasting impression on all the persons involved! I look forward to the upcoming ventures this can take me on and I look forward to having this team by my side when we do it together! I thank you for taking the time to read this letter and I very much hope to find myself working with you as your next Student Organization Funding Manager!

Kindly,



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