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Dear ACI Fellowship Committee Members:

Dear Scholarship Committee,

This reference letter is provided at the written request of Ehsan Ghafari, who has asked me to serve as a reference on his behalf. I have known Mr. Ghafari since fall 2013 when he started his PhD at Missouri S&T. Since then, we have cooperated in several research projects. As a professor, I had an opportunity to observe his participation and interaction in the projects and to evaluate his knowledge of the subject matter. I would rate his overall performance in these subjects excellent. I am confident that he will be a fine student as well as a good researcher in the years ahead. He seems to have set high standards for himself and has demonstrated the desire necessary to achieve success in education.

Based upon the student's academic performance and my understanding of the position for which the student is applying, I believe he would be a great candidate. If you would like to discuss this further, please feel free to contact me.

Best regards,

Kamal H. Khayat