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Dear Hiring Team,

Please accept this letter and the attached resume as a statement of my enthusiastic interest in the Associate Vice President (AVP) for Student Development position at Monroe Community College (MCC). My educational background and fourteen years of higher education experience at MCC makes me uniquely qualified to continue to serve in this role.

I am well acquainted with MCC and with what it takes to be a successful AVP for Student Development. I have eight years of progressive administrative experience at MCC and currently serve as the Acting AVP, providing leadership for Athletics, Student Life and Leadership Development, Student Rights and Responsibilities, and Health and Wellness. I also continue to serve as College ombudsman, a role that, as the Assistant to the Vice President of Student Services, I have held at MCC since September 2017. I have a proven track record at MCC as a team-oriented leader who is committed to working collaboratively in support of student development, success, equity, and belonging.

My academic background makes me a strong candidate for this role. I am a graduate of the University of Rochester, where I earned an EdD in Educational Administration with a Specialization in Higher Education. I graduated with a 4.0 GPA and received the Tyll van Geel Education Leadership Award for demonstrating rigorous scholarship, decision making, and ethical leadership. I was honored to attend the University of Rochester in the first cohort of the Monroe Community College Scholars Program.

Please contact me so we can further discuss what I can continue to offer MCC as the AVP for Student Development. I trust that you will determine that I am a hard-working, enthusiastic, and dedicated employee with a strong commitment to diversity, equity, and belonging, who understands how to work collaboratively with faculty, staff, and students to produce results.

Thank you for reviewing my application materials and for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ryan E. Messenger, EdD

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