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To Whom It May Concern:

Erik Perez Reference

The purpose of this is to provide a reference for Mr. Erik Perez whom I have known as a student for a period of two years.

I first met Erik at Westwood College. I was Erik's instructor in the Game Art program and have seen Erik excel at game design skills, especially drawing, as well as mentoring other students and displaying entrepreneurial instincts. Erik shows advanced skills and professional networking abilities above and beyond his peers.

As a person, Erik is a hard-working, highly motivated and committed to his career. I believe that his excellent transcripts and more importantly his quality portfolio will attest to that fact. In fact, in my experience here at Westwood College, I have seen few that are more accomplished and ready for the rigors of full time employment at a game company than Erik. His work displays exceptional insight of design and concept and the technical abilities essential to the game industry for implementation into cutting edge games. Out-spoken and confident, Erik is very much a team player due to a maturity and knowledge of subject matter that only comes from self driven learning and exceptional problem solving skills.

Erik is a person of integrity and is a "can do" kind of guy. He is very work oriented at all times and he loves to complete high quality work efficiently and professionally. He knows how to "get it done" (with a great sense of humor), responsible and is always respectful of others.

Erik is a juggler of tasks. He is a direct communicator and knows how to raise and discuss essential design problems and solutions in a team setting as well as be independently motivated and take the initiative. He is generally someone I would hire!

I have worked in the game industry and therefore have some insight. I was on the hiring team at Konami in the late 90's here in Chicago and have met, reviewed and seen many aspiring game artists.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need further discussion or insight.

Sincerely,

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