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I am very pleased to recommend Udai Relan for admission to your university's engineering programs and interdisciplinary opportunities. I have worked with Udai for nearly three years at Meavana, a Manifold Ventures portfolio company, and in that time, he has stood out as one of the most capable and intellectually mature students I have encountered. His combination of independence, analytical sharpness, and genuine interdisciplinary fluency makes him exceptionally well-suited for a rigorous and multifaceted academic environment like your institution.

Udai first connected with me as an 8th grader, and even then, he demonstrated a level of focus and clarity of thought that's rare among much older students. Over the years, he has consistently operated with the mindset of someone who understands how technology, product strategy, and market forces intersect. He approaches problems by breaking them into their essential subproblems, evaluating trade-offs, and forming insights that reflect both technical reasoning and business judgment. This ability to think holistically is extremely uncommon in high school students and is the foundation of why I consider him an exceptional candidate.

In his work with Meavana, Udai has repeatedly shown instinctive strength in product thinking and competitive analysis. He understands user behavior, positioning, and long-term product direction with a sophistication I would normally expect from an experienced analyst. He learns quickly, frames complex problems clearly, and communicates his conclusions with concision and structure. His maturity, intellectual honesty, and willingness to tackle foundational rather than superficial problems further distinguish him from his peers.

Udai embodies the qualities I associate with successful engineers and interdisciplinary thinkers: multidimensional reasoning, technical curiosity, and the ability to connect engineering decisions with real-world outcomes. He is independent, thoughtful, and deeply driven by substance rather than credentials.

I am confident that Udai will thrive at your institution and contribute meaningfully to the university community. He has the mindset and potential of someone who will build significant things. I strongly endorse his application.

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