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Dear Udall Scholarship Review Committee:

It is with great pleasure that I recommend Janet Lerner for the Morris K. Udall Scholarship. Ms. Lerner is an outstanding student and researcher. Additionally, she is a gifted writer and promises to make exceptional contributions to the field of environmental public policy.

I first began working with Ms. Lerner when she was a student in my seminar on Science, Technology, and Human Values. In this class, Ms. Lerner investigated the intersection of current issues in science and technology with the responsibilities of citizenship in a participatory democracy. Her work in this course was first-rate, and she contributed substantively to our discussions. Ms. Lerner is a careful scholar and thoughtful speaker, and quickly earned the respect and admiration of her peers.

Ms. Lerner went on to participate the following semester in a student-motivated research project to educate the public on current issues in science, technology, and society studies through a student-developed, student-run web page. During the course of her work on this project, I was consistently impressed with Ms. Lerner’s ability to envision simple, powerful ways to communicate complicated issues to a general audience.

Ms. Lerner is actively engaged in research projects which will allow her to bring her knowledge of issues in the earth sciences to the attention of the general public. In addition to the project mentioned above, she has also been a participant in a selective undergraduate research course, has developed a short conservation documentary for a local television station, and has participated in the Department of Environmental Resource Management Externship Program.

Finally, I would like to emphasize Ms. Lerner’s skills as part of a working research team. Ms. Lerner is conscientious, responsible, and imaginative. She is both a quick learner and an able teacher. She is a person of good conscience and, what is often equally important to the success of team projects, good humor. I cannot imagine a better student to meet your goals of “educating a new generation of Americans to preserve and protect their national heritage.” If I can provide any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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