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Municipality of Columbio
Barangay Poblacion

OFFICE OF THE PUNONG BARANGAY

Date: September 21, 2026

To: The Scholarship Selection Committee
Peace Corps Alumni Foundation for Philippine Development (PCAFPD)

Subject: Recommendation for Jem S. Bernardino

Dear Members of the Selection Committee,

It is my utmost privilege and distinct honor to recommend **Jem S. Bernardino**, a resident of Barangay Poblacion, Columbio, Sultan Kudarat, for the PCAFPD Scholarship Program. As the Punong Barangay of our community, I have personally witnessed the character, dedication, and leadership potential of **Ms. Bernardino**. She is currently a Grade 12 STEM student at Columbio National High School.

Jem comes from a hardworking family that faces financial limitations, yet these circumstances have never hindered her drive to succeed. She has consistently shown a strong moral compass, remarkable academic discipline, and a deep-seated commitment to community service.

Within our barangay, Jem has actively participated in local initiatives and civic activities. She serves as the **YES-O Grade 12 Representative** at her school and proactively extends her leadership to our community. She has volunteered in local environmental efforts such as clean-up drives during major events like our local fiesta, and actively joined the annual **Brigada Eskwela**. Furthermore, displaying a strong sense of civic responsibility, she has actively participated in our barangay's **anti-drug symposiums and youth campaigns (Kontra Droga initiatives)**, helping advocate for a safe and healthy environment for her fellow youth.

PCAFPD scholars are chosen based on financial need, academic excellence, and leadership. I can firmly vouch that Jem embodies all these values and will maximize this educational opportunity to uplift her family and give back to our community.

Therefore, I strongly and wholeheartedly endorse Jem S. Bernardino for this scholarship grant. Should you require any further information or verification regarding her background and residency, please do not hesitate to contact my office.s

Respectfully yours,

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