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Todd Mann
Executive Director
Magnet Schools of America
1919 K Street NW, Ste C-140
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Dear Director Mann,

I am submitting this letter to express my desire to be considered for the Magnet Schools of America Regional Director for Region IV for another term. A brief review of my experience in magnet school public education on my resume will help provide an insight of the skills and experiences that I can contribute to our learning community.

I believe that the role of a Director is grounded in vision, strategy, and support. I am passionate about cultivating a culture of excellence that is built on purposeful relationships and focused on growth and development, staff and student empowerment, and collective efficacy. My personal mission is to show up with courage and a whole heart so that together we can lead, learn, grow, and make a positive impact on each other and our world. Since becoming a Magnet Schools of America member in 2016 and serving as Region VI Director over the last two years, I am even more confident that the MSA's fundamental beliefs align with my personal and professional "why" in life.

My work in education began in January 2005 when I worked as a Music Therapy Clinical Instructor at Wartburg College. After a successful semester at Wartburg, I accepted a music education position in the Cedar Rapids Community School District, where I taught music education for 11 years. My most recent experience has been in the role of a Magnet Coordinator at the building and district level, and a district level Coaching Lead. During my teaching in the CRCSD, I received a Master of Arts in Teaching from Morningside College (2009), National Board Certification (2013) and a Master of Science in Educational Leadership from Drake University (2016).

I have the pleasure of supporting all five magnet schools in the Cedar Rapids Community School District. My recent magnet leadership experience include: onboarding new coordinators, managing our magnet school lottery and marketing, leading our district team in creating a Magnet School Strategic Plan with belief statements, actions, and measures, co-creating magnet school rounding protocols, and creating an innovative programming toolkit to support whole school redesign and pilot programs from concept to successful implementation.

If I can provide you with any further information, please feel free to call or email me. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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