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US Embassy in Havana U.S. Embassy to Cuba (Havana) Calzada between L & M, Vedado Havana, Cuba Phone: +53-7-839-4100

Re: Jake Nordstrom's Boy Scouts of American, Eagle Scout Project

I am personally aware of and familiar with Jake Nordstrom's Boy Scouts of America, Eagle Scout Project from my weekly contact with him as part of our Troop activities, my one-on-one discussions with him about his plans, and from viewing the video at his website: www.JakeNordstrom.com.

I strongly support his project and plan and I am eager to be a part of it by helping at Jake's Eagle Scout Project Day, by donating funds to Jake's GoFundMe account, and in any other way that will allow this wonderful dream to be realized, all in support of his Eagle Scout Project, scheduled for Summer, 2018.

I have known Jake personally since May, 2015, when I became an Assistant Scoutmaster of his Boy Scout Troop 48, Tiburon, California. I have the opportunity and pleasure of observing and working with this fine young man, including watching him grow into an excellent leader of the boys of our Troop, whether at weekly meetings, camp outs, or on the trail in the outdoors. Jake is possessed of a maturity beyond his years, a product of his parents excellent example and work ethic, his exposure to the leadership and personal growth opportunities afforded by his scouting training and experiences, and his commitment to excellence on the baseball diamond. As the youth leader of our troop of 30+ boys, ages 11-18, he gained the respect and admiration of all the boys and set a standard for those who follow him. He regularly fulfilled the expectations of the adult leaders who guided and monitored his performance.

For the past two summers he served on the staff of the local council High Sierra camp in a variety of jobs which required him to instruct younger boys and interact with adult superiors. His performance was exemplary in all respects. He does all this while adroitly balancing his home life, school work and athletics, always finding time to be a part of the community services projects undertaken by his troop. He is quite simply an example to all of how "to do your best" in whatever you undertake, and an inspiration to others.

In furtherance of this wonderful planned project, I ask that you please consider giving VISA's to the entire Cuban team that Jake has volunteered to invite. I feel confident that Jake will put forth a very organized, thorough, and life enriching program for these boys. Jake's goal is for them to develop an understanding of our culture and the hope that the relationships built during this process will last a lifetime for all fortunate enough to have been a part of it.

I am honored to be a part of Jake Nordstrom's dream. Please feel free to contact me for any further information. Thank you for your consideration.

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