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To whom it may concern,

My name is Kenny Kemp, and I am the visuals editor and chief photographer for the Charleston Gazette-Mail of West Virginia, where I have worked for over 35 years. I oversee a staff of four photographers coordinating the selection of photographs and assignments for West Virginia's largest daily paper, covering the entire state. For the two years that Craig Hudson has been employed at the newspaper as a photographer, he has made himself a great asset to the photo staff. Craig is a hard worker who often goes above and beyond what is required of any assignment to deliver images that are unique and lasting beyond the daily news cycle. He is a natural go-getter who is eager to take on assignments no matter the time or place, and is always doing what he can to learn how to improve his skills.

Aside from being a great shooter, Craig is also a pleasure to work with. He's personable, friendly, and gets along very well with the reporters he regularly works with. Despite not being from West Virginia, Craig has taken a deep personal interest in the state and in teaching himself about its history and the many issues that its people face. He has brought positive energy to the newsroom in his jovial demeanor, which extends to his photography as it regularly excites and engages readers of the paper. His work has shown a light on the importance of photos in newspapers, and has enhanced our newspaper's presence on social media.

Craig would be a great addition to the group selected to attend the workshop, and I hope you'll consider him to be part of it. Please reach out to me if you have any questions.

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