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To Whom it May Concern:

The following is a reference letter for my friend, Jose Ramon Mendoza, who is a citizen of Argentina, living in Lima, Peru, employed at Monterrico Racetrack.

I am a Canadian citizen. My husband Jon Wu and I are owners of Rivermore Stable, a horse farming business involving boarding, training, lessons and breeding in Moffat, Ontario, Canada.

In the spring of 2017, Jose Mendoza and I became friends online through our common interest in horses. In the time that I have known Jose I have come to appreciate his vast knowledge of horses, horse care and horse training.

I value Jose's horse experience and advice which has helped me with my own farm and horses. In particular he assisted me with a very difficult horse that I and other local professionals, including an Olympic rider, had been working with for four years. Prior to mentioning this horse to Jose the owner and I had discussed selling her. This horse had quite a reputation and could be dangerous to the people working with her, malicious with other horses and destructive to her surroundings. When I told Jose about this horse he said he could help me to retrain her in 10 days. At the time I was in disbelief but we exchanged video and discussed the horse at length and after 8 days she was no longer dangerous or difficult to work with.

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During this time Jose was a patient teacher, taking the time to make sure that I understood his directions and that the horse was progressing consistently and positively. As someone who has been working in the horse industry for 25 years this experience solidified my opinion of Jose's ability to train and work with horses. It is clear that his depth of knowledge with regard to horses and horse training is significant and that he has a true passion for horses.

Jose has also demonstrated that he has a very good understanding of feeding, medical care, day to day management of the stable, farrier work and an expertise in training and handling a variety of horses including more difficult horses. Jose is thoughtful and humane in his approach and is constantly looking to learn more about horses, horse care and horse training.

I have found Jose to be of strong character which is evidenced through our interactions, as well as through the supervisory position he holds at Monterrico Racetrack in Lima, Peru and by how I know him to treat his staff, friends and horses. He has devoted his life to learning about horses and has the all of the skills and the desire to be a valuable asset to the horse industry in Canada or anywhere else.

Sincerely,



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