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To Whom It May Concern,

It is my pleasure to recommend Ms. Zahra Mehrasa for admission to your PhD program. As a faculty member in the Department of Medical Genetics at Iran University of Medical Sciences, I served as her instructor and as an external examiner for her master's thesis defense.

Ms. Mehrasa was one of the most outstanding students in our program, combining strong analytical ability with remarkable discipline and creativity. She graduated first in her class with a GPA of 3.9/4.0, consistently demonstrating deep understanding of genetic and molecular principles.

Her master's research focused on telomere biology and its role in diabetic retinopathy, integrating experimental and computational approaches. As her external examiner, I was deeply impressed by the scientific rigor of her work, she successfully achieved all her experimental goals and even incorporated advanced statistical and machine learning analyses beyond the original scope. Her final defense reflected exceptional clarity, critical thinking, and originality, earning the highest grade awarded by the committee.

I strongly recommend her for admission without reservation. Please feel free to contact me for further information.

Warmest regards,  
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