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To whom this may concern:

I am writing this letter of recommendation in support of Dr. Boojala Reddy, an outstanding researcher whose academic endeavor for over the past twenty years has been a seemingly unattainable standard that I like to pursue to in my own career. I have known Dr. Boojala Reddy over these years as my scientific colleague and I have keenly followed his research, as his research approach and clear understanding of molecular behavior in cellular processes always amazed me as a fellow researcher. As evidenced from his very illustrious career, Dr.

Boojala Reddy has a very strong interest in and commitment to research in biomolecular structural data analysis and modeling in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology and has proved himself as a research leader. Dr. Boojala Reddy is a thorough and resourceful worker when engrossed in either academic studies or a research problem. In graduate course work he did exceedingly well while working towards Ph.D, which resulted in several publications in the area of DNA/protein sequence and structural data analysis.

His research work rated very high on consensus among fellow scientists in every research facility he worked as scientist. His work is done independently and he keeps himself abreast of developments in his fields of interest. Insofar as scholarship and research are concerned, Dr. Boojala Reddy has all of the desirable attributes of a mature scholar. In addition, I would add that Dr.

Reddy has a pleasant, quiet and cooperative disposition, and he would be well suited to fit into any group or laboratory with serious research goals.

To date, Dr. Reddy's experience has encompassed a wide range of techniques in theoretical and computational approaches. After coming to the U.S.A, his work focused more on protein structural data analysis and protein-protein interactions. Through this work, his group found the usefulness of conserved key amino acids in detecting proteinprotein interface regions. At present, he has been actively continuing research at the Digital Technology Center, U of MN as a bioinformatics consultant to the research faculty, thus, exposed to various research problems to be dealt with bioinformatics methods and approach. Dr. Reddy collaborated with our group on analysis and modeling of Smurf1 (Protein which mediates ubiquity in proteasomal degradation of several transcription factors involved in cell differentiation and division) and Smad interaction. His highly valuable collaboration resulted in two manuscripts currently in preparation for publication. Dr. Boojala Reddy worked assiduously to generate a considerable amount of data, which he was capable of interpreting quite independently. He frequently suggested and carried out new computational approaches to the problems poised in the projects, and many of them proved fruitful. He pays careful attention to essential details and to the accuracy and reproducibility of his results. He was particularly good at working out new methods, as evidenced by the results obtained in his very challenging projects.

I am fully convinced that Dr. Boojala Reddy has both untiring motivation and exceptional ability to be an independent researcher and I believe with no hesitation that he would be an asset to any research group he chooses to join.

Sincerely,

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