LETTER FOR BEST BOY CANDIDACY

FOR

PETER HADDAD

Dear \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,

It is with great enthusiasm, academic pride, gratitude and anticipation that I write this letter to you as a means to offer my services and explain my reasons for my intention to be Best Boy at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for this academic year. I have given a great deal of thought to what it would mean to the school as a whole, to the students of the current Year 12 (**do you say “Senior**”) class, and to me, to have the honor of being Best Boy and I would like to share my thoughts with you.

It has been a privilege to attend BSAK for the past \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years. I started as an awkward young boy and I will be leaving at the end of this year as wiser, more educated, and much more committed to supporting those who have supported me morally, socially, and scholastically. For most that attend this school, it is clear that we have been exposed to the benefits and superior education afforded to certain sectors of society. I believe that with privilege comes responsibility. I

have learned that the more we have, the more we are mandated to share. If my neighbor doesn’t have the resources to survive and thrive in life, then neither do I. There have been upperclassmen, faculty, and administration that have generously supported my classmates and me throughout our time at BSAK and I believe in giving back. As I learn, so will I teach. As I grow, so will I mentor, and through it all, I will continue to keep an open mind and learn what it means to make a difference in this world.

I believe that throughout my time here at BSAK, I have consistently demonstrated that I am dedicated to learning and sharing my scholastic experience. I have made it a practice of seeing if my “reach will exceed my grasp,” to paraphrase Robert Browning, because I know that is how we grow. I have sought out and participated in extracurricular programs throughout the school year and beyond, to expand my knowledge and learn more and more about the world around us. I have traveled extensively and through my acceptance to and participation in prestigious courses such as the Columbia University Summer School Program for High School Students, I have had the privilege to observe how others live and learn. I am blessed to experience life and culture on many levels, and every experience provides new insight and perspective as I learn to find my way in the world. To have the chance to use those lessons to encourage others as Best Boy would be quite fulfilling.

I feel I have used my time here at BSAK wisely and I have made it a practice of seeking out new and challenging opportunities. In my previous terms, I have been House Captain and Year Representative. As you know, I am currently a Prefect. Even with all of these commitments, I have done my best to maintain scholastic excellence. As I said earlier, I am sensitive to what it’s like to be “the new kid” or the younger student eager to be accepted. I am certain that my past experiences and responsibilities as well as my interest in all areas of school life have taught me well and I want to honor the traditions that have contributed to making this one of the most memorable years in BSAK history. I know that as Best Boy I will bring my “A” game and will do whatever is needed to inspire, connect and serve those around me.

As our time at BSAK draws to an end, and as my classmates and I prepare for the next stages of our lives and careers, this is my last opportunity as a high school student to serve in such a prestigious capacity. Once I go off to university I will be back as “the new kid” looking for someone to look up to-someone to guide and mentor me through the next growth stages of life. Those challenges will be bigger and harder and will offer the potential for even greater rewards, but all chances in life are relative. As the next Best Boy, I pledge to do my best to uphold the mission of the school while promoting the practices and programs that have given my fellow students the foundation to appreciate and understand the importance of this kind of a quality education and environment.

I want to thank you in advance for your encouragement and support.

Sincerely yours.

Peter Haddad.