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To Whom It May Concern,

It is with great pleasure that I provide this character reference for Carter Sloan, an exceptional individual whose journey in mountain biking and personal growth I have shared since 2019.

From the outset, Carter distinguished himself as a remarkable talent. His passion for mountain biking has always been evident, manifesting as an infectious enthusiasm for pushing boundaries and striving for excellence. Carter is truly someone who lives his life on wheels—every aspect of his character demonstrates a relentless pursuit of progression, performance and perfection.

Throughout his formative years, I had the privilege of training with Carter on twice-weekly shuttle sessions. It was during these rides that Carter's attitude toward improvement became clear. He consistently sought new challenges, always measuring himself against his own high standards, and setting new goals as soon as the previous ones were achieved.

Carter's resilience was tested shortly his victory at the U17 Australian National Downhill Championship. An untimely leg fracture, initially considered minor, became a significant obstacle during recovery and temporarily delayed his anticipated debut on the World Cup circuit. Many young athletes, when faced with such adversity and setback during critical developmental years, lose momentum or redirect their focus elsewhere. Carter, however, demonstrated extraordinary determination and mental fortitude. Rather than stepping back, he doubled down on his training, committing himself even more deeply to the sport he loves.

This unwavering resolve is perhaps Carter's defining characteristic. His response to adversity stands as a testament to his character. Carter's ability to channel setbacks into motivation has allowed him to return to full health and display his true potential.

Now competing as a first-year Elite racer on the World Cup circuit, Carter's consistent development and impressive performances show the beginnings of a long and distinguished career ahead. I am confident that Carter will continue progressing until he solidifies his place as a consistent front runner and I look forward to following his continued rise in the world of downhill mountain biking.

In summary, Carter Sloan is a driven, resilient, and talented individual whose passion for his sport is matched only by his determination to overcome obstacles. I wholeheartedly recommend him and believe he will continue to make a positive impact both on and off the track.

Kind Regards,

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