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To whom it may concern:

It is my pleasure to provide this reference for William Hirtle. I was privileged to work with William during my time as an Audio Technician with Legislative Television from 2005 until 2008. While there, I worked closely with William during live broadcasts, equipment installations and several other projects.

As Video Controller / Editor William was required to prepare equipment for, and direct the control room staff during live broadcasts from the Nova Scotia House of Assembly and several specialized broadcasts such as The Order of Nova Scotia, the visit of the Rt. Hon. Michel Jean, Governor General of Canada, and others. Working alongside William during live broadcasts and projects allowed me to become familiar with his numerous skills and abilities. William is a born leader; he recognizes and respects the strength of his team and empowers those he works with to perform at their best. He is an excellent communicator and has a natural ability with storytelling, which enables him to convey his ideas quickly and effectively. His comfort with a range of video and audio equipment and his aptitude for problem solving allows him to employ innovative solutions to any problem or challenge.

William and I worked so well as a team that together we sought out projects outside of Legislative Television. We organized and produced live audio for two events on behalf of Salutory Angels; a Halifax based NGO raising money to support Haitian women with pre and post-natal care. Both events were attended by upwards of 300 people and William went on to support Salutory Angels as a photographer for other events as well.

When I left Legislative Television to further my education with the Nova Scotia Community College's Electronics Engineering Technician program in 2008, William and I stayed in close contact and I look forward to working with him on projects in the future. Having William as a team member or leader on any project is truly an asset as there is no task he won't dedicate himself to and ultimately enhance; working with him in the video realm is simply a joy.

Sincerely,



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