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Dear Members of the Admissions Committee,

 As long as I can remember, my parents have always pushed me to put others before yourself, which is the reason I decided I wanted to pursue a career in the medical field. When thinking about being involved in the medical field, I thought through many different careers, but ultimately became interested in the dental field.

 I am a fourth year undergraduate at Longwood University seeking admissions into Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry in Richmond, Virginia upon my graduation in May 2020. I strongly believe that my perpetually positive attitude, excellent communication skills, and drive to pursue difficult tasks will allow me to be an asset and top student at Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry. I am extremely excited to begin this next step in my life and hope I am able to demonstrate my enthusiasm through my resume and personal statement.

When reviewing dental schools, one stood out among the rest, Virginia Commonwealth University. I have been interested in Virginia Commonwealth University as a dental school since I decided I wanted to pursue a career in this field because of the prestige and honor the university has upheld for many years. If granted admission, I will work hard to follow my dreams and help others in any way I can.

Through internships and participation in pre-professional organizations, I have used these opportunities to gain exposure in all branches of dentistry. I have completed many education courses I believe will allow me to succeed in dental school. I have received training to become a dental assistant through my internship at a local pediatric dental office. I have held conversations with multiple dentists in all fields of dentistry and believe I am an outstanding candidate for dental school. While I am confident that my education and experiences have prepared me to pursue an education in dentistry, I am excited and motivated to learn much more.

 Through admission to dental school, I will become trained enough to educate adolescents and/or adults about their dental health and what they can do to better it. Receiving admission will assist me in helping others. I am extremely passionate to make a difference in the lives of people close to home or even across the country. I am willing, able, and excited to go where this career will take me.

 I have enclosed my resume as well as a personal statement for your consideration. I welcome the opportunity to meet with you to discuss my qualifications and experiences in detail. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (540) 305-7332 or via e-mail at kelly.tarmon@live.longwood.edu

I thank you for your time and consideration and hope to hear from you soon.

Best Regards,

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