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## Whom it may concern:

As a Social Worker, I strive to be able to support and advocate for children with disabilities and/or developmental delays. I will do this by reflecting on my knowledge and skills that I have acquired over the last four years. I would like to advance my career path with early intervention services by receiving a master's degree in special education.

I am a hardworking individual who is passionate about children with disabilities and/or developmental delays. During my academic career, I had the privilege of working as an intern at Danville Pittsylvania Community Services. During my internship, I was able to receive hands on experiences with children who have disabilities and/or developmental delays through early intervention. As an intern, I learned professional skills such as casework, communication, and advocacy.

I decided to pursue a degree in social work because I want to be able to advocate for children with disabilities and/or developmental delays because I know first-hand how it is to have a disability. I decided I wanted to work with early intervention because I know how it is to be behind in developmental milestones as I was born with profound hearing loss. I was behind in my speech as I had six years of speech therapy. Due to my personal life, I want to be a leader and help guide individuals and their families in the right direction.

Sincerely,

Kelsey Whitlock