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University of Missouri Internship Director Dr. Chad Follis Office of Community Engaged Learning M126 Student Success Center Columbia, MO, 65211

Dear Dr. Follis,

I am personally glad to contact you about being an intern for the CLIP 2025-2026 session. I plan to provide efficient and dedicated work to this program. I first heard about CLIP around early September but grew busier in my schedule. What inspired me to come back and return to the program was an information session I attended. It was eye-opening to meet and sit with so many like-minded individuals who are just as excited to be civically involved as I am. As a sophomore with future intentions to work under a team for a representative or senator, I hope you give my application great consideration for the spring 2026 team.

I grew up in the City of Saint Louis and have been based there since I was born. An intense passion has grown from me about this city, as I've explored the working class in multiple forms since I've been able to work. Volunteering for organizations like The Humane Society, and Channel 9 (the local chapter of PBS) made me realize how strong I believed in the importance of government provided programs.

If I were accepted to be part of CLIP's 2026 Program, I would directly report to my chosen legislator with high intensity note taking and provide options for outreach programs. Assisting in answering calls and helping to draft letters. Working in the offices of Marlon Anderson and Elizabeth Fuchs would help me to understand and develop legislature around representation in fair judiciary trials, as well as maintaining to prevent discriminatory cases against vulnerable St. Louisans.

I may not have the prior experience most are looking for in this application, but I want to begin my journey and show my passion to work in legislature. I have gained experience through the people I have met as an older high school student and working as a first-year college student. My values of established preventation of discrimination against people of any race and ethnicity, improved community development, extended housing projects and safe viable options for food and shelter for the unhoused community. I look forward to hearing back from you.

Sincerely,

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