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To Whom It May Concern

I am delighted to provide my enthusiastic recommendation for Dassalegn Daraje Jalata to pursue his PhD. Mr Dessalegn has consistently demonstrated exceptional dedication and talent as a researcher within the National Food Science and Nutrition Research Program at the Ethiopian Institute of Agricultural Research (EIAR).

Having served as a researcher at EIAR, Dessalegn has been an integral part of numerous projects focusing on understanding the dietary diversity of the local community, improvement of nutritional statuses, food product formulation, food processing techniques, and nutritional analysis of key agricultural commodities in crops and livestock. Dessalegn s research engagements at various levels has been invaluable to the advancement of food and nutrition research within Ethiopia.

Beyond his impressive professional accomplishments, Dessalegn possesses a remarkable intellectual capacity, unyielding motivation, and a genuine passion for exploring new research avenues. He consistently demonstrates the ability to conduct research, analyse data with precision, and draw well-founded conclusions with very little support. Moreover, Dessalegn is highly cooperative, approachable, and an effective communicator, fostering productive collaborations with colleagues and stakeholders alike.

I firmly believe that Dessalegn possesses immense potential for furthering his knowledge and expertise in the realm of food science and nutrition; and fields related to that. His pursuit of higher education and training will undoubtedly yield substantial benefits. I have full confidence in his ability to successfully complete his PhD study with outstanding performance and make a positive, transformative impact on the Ethiopian food and research landscape.

Given Dessalegn s good qualities and accomplishments, I endorse his application for a terminal degree. He possesses the dedication, intellect, and collaborative spirit necessary to excel in this endeavour and continue contributing meaningfully to our field.

Wishing him all the best!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Solomon Abate', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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