

Dear Sir/Madam 13 March 2015

My name is Elly Sample and I am the Director of Communications, Development & Marketing for the University of Lincoln. Jammil Ahmed who is the President of the University of Lincoln Students' Union Islamic Society has contacted me directly to ask if I could provide him with a supporting letter to go with his competition application, which I am delighted to do.

On behalf of the University of Lincoln I would like to pass my sincere congratulations onto Jammil and his team of helpers who created such a positive atmosphere on campus during World Inter-Faith Harmony Week. Jammil really put his heart and soul into World Inter-Faith Harmony Week and fully engaged in a wide range of promotional activities. These provided a huge number of opportunities for people of all faiths to meet, to engage and to talk. Some were social, some were academic but the outcome was that thousands of people were brought together in a positive and open environment of discovery and acceptance. I am exceedingly proud of Jammil, his commitment to his faith, his wish to share knowledge and his openness. There were falconry displays, lectures, a football tournament, films, prayers and he came to our open days speaking to nearly 4,000 parents and applicants. He was on local media giving interviews and I have to say that what he achieved in a week amazed me. He is a humble and modest soul who I respect immensely and I sincerely commend him for this award. Jammil will, without doubt, go on to great things and I hope you see fit to recognise his passion and enthusiasm with this award.

Jammil also used this opportunity to raise money for those less fortunate than him. In this day and age there are many worthwhile charities all trying to find new and inventive ways of raising funds and it was refreshing to see someone who came up with so many innovative ways to raise the awareness & profile of a worthwhile cause. Not only has he increased the profile of the Islamic Society but also generated approximately £600 in donations for the St Barnabas Lincolnshire Hospice. I understand that this amount is only an estimate at the moment and the final figure will be announced at a later date.

From the University of Lincoln's point of view we are very proud of Jammil and all he has done for World Inter-Faith Harmony Week and I hope you will recognise his achievements.

Yours sincerely

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