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To Whom it May Concern,

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I am writing this letter of interest to thank you for being nominated to possibly be your next NMEA President-Elect. Here is a little bio of myself:

James Gillette graduated from the University of Utah in 2006 with a degree in music education. While in college, he participated in many instrumental and choral ensembles on campus. He had the opportunity of performing all over the United States, both in choral and instrumental performance. He received a Master's Degree in Music Education from Boston University in September of 2011. He has taught in the Clark County School District for the last twelve years. He is currently the Director of Bands and Choral Studies at Boulder City High School in Boulder City, NV.

My strengths include:

- I have taught HS band, choir, guitar, jazz, orchestra, and general music while in this district. This has given me a chance to work with many great colleagues from all of these disciplines. I have learned from many of them on what I can do to be a better person and leader.
- I feel that I am a person that is easy to talk to and is a problem solver and can be of assistance to someone who needs it.
- I have served in the Nevada ACDA and NMEA in various positions.
 - o Nevada ACDA as Men's Repertoire Chair (2009-2011)
 - o NMEA – All-state Band Committee for the last 7 years, Small School Co-Chair for the last 10 years and Southern Zone Rep for the last 4 years.
 - Helped to create and streamline the Policy & Procedures for both of these ensembles, of which are currently being used.
- I have assisted in helping others at many honor ensembles and festivals in town, as well as taking all of my ensembles to festival, both in Nevada and other states.
- I work hard to make sure that everyone has a chance to be successful.

In closing, I am excited for this opportunity to possibly be your next NMEA President-Elect. Thank you for your consideration.

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