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To whom it may concern:

President Kim has an enormous challenge righting the Dartmouth ship. He can only be as good as the information he receives about the true state of Dartmouth.

Over the years Joe Asch, living in Hanover has attached himself to Dartmouth in every way. He attends classes, donates money and keeps his keen business eye on management. He is independent, relentlessly honest and with that can sometimes cause sparks to fly. Yet, when you come to know him, as I did while Dean of the Faculty, it is utterly apparent he is a gentleman of the first order and understanding of academic complexities.

In short, he is the kind of person Dartmouth needs, President Kim needs and the students need. He both listens and instructs. He is there for Dartmouth and for helping the new President establish a better, more vibrant and stronger institution. He has my support.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M S G".

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