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Dear Vahe,

This letter is in support of the Department of Chemistry's initiative to develop a new major in called "Biochemistry". Like you, the SBS feels that this will be an attractive major to our students and that the University of Utah should offer this opportunity.

Thank you for your discussions with the faculty in the School of Biological Sciences during the time you were preparing the proposal for the major. We appreciate that you sought our input. And we look forward to teaching collaboratively with faculty in the Department of Chemistry once this new major is launched.

Sincerely,



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