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## GREETINGS, FELLOW PRACTITIONERS:

I come to you as an **independent software development contractor with 20 years of experience**, specializing in custom web applications, web sites, and REST APIs.

At this point in my life, people have paid me to do pretty much everything. Consequently, I am also well versed in: mobile application development, browser/os extensions, design, copywriting, audio & video (*recording, editing, live production*), music, photography, marketing, branding. I have even been a christian talk radio dj.

**I'm generally obsessed with software technology** (*especially open source*), and I keep up with what's happening in various development ecosystems (*javascript, node.js, go, front end, ux, linux/sysadmin, etc*) the same way many people keep up with sports.

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## 1 – HEAD IN THE CLOUD(S)

In the 21st century, **software impacts all of us**...and as engineers, we are in a unique position to significantly impact the development of the bright future we all envision. We can do amazing things when we put our energy and resources together.

As such, **I want to pursue work with organizations who are solving meaningful problems** for individuals and society at large. I am very interested in helping those who want to develop ethical and sustainable solutions, especially in the following areas:

- supporting art and creativity
- getting/keeping the next generation excited about software
- digital publishing / media production
- nature / climate (*observation, preservation, response*)
- productivity / personal development
- cloud / infrastructure services
- aerospace / astronomy
- construction / real estate
- agriculture
- health / wellness / nutrition

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## 2 – BOOTS ON THE GROUND

In addition to helping shape a better society, I want to work on projects that interest me. Fortunately for everyone, I enjoy building developer tools and creating resources that help empower people and encourage good decision-making.

Specifically, I want to spend my time and energy building:

- various types of dev tools
  - frameworks & libraries
  - cli utilities
  - specialized services
  - ideally while contributing to open source
- documentation / technical writing
  - standards & practices
  - support, knowledgebase, onboarding
  - api, microservice, tooling
  - system/process diagrams
- production materials
  - component/design systems
  - styleguides (*visual, branding, copywriting, etc*)
  - prototypes for new concepts
- educational resources
  - tutorials, screencasts, workshops
  - multimedia courses, curricula
- information design / visualization
  - data reports, ux research
  - analytics dashboards, admin apps

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## 3 – NEVER STOP LEARNING

I've always been curious about how the world around me functions, and I like to adopt new tools as I find they meet my needs.

My skill set is perpetually evolving, but on most days **my work involves:**

- js (*client, node.js*)
- php
- html
- mysql
- css
- mongodb

I'm definitely not an expert in every technology that interests me, but **I would warmly welcome practical opportunities that involve:**

- go (*viper, buffalo, hugo*)
- "modern" web (*react/vue, typescript, PWA tech*)
- "cloud native" infrastructure (*k8s, docker, etc*)
- electron, react native, graphql, couchdb
- creative coding (*processing, d3, openFrameworks, idyll*)

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## PERSONAL CORE VALUES

- empathy & kindness > everything
- collaboration > competition
- curiosity
- pragmatism
- clarity, openness, integrity

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## PERIPHERAL INTERESTS

- producing podcasts and video series
- rock climbing / camping / the outdoors
- visual art (*drawing, vhs/glitch, motion gfx, painting*)
- making music
  - i've played A LOT of instruments in A LOT of bands
  - i will probably be a dj at some point

## APPENDIX – DATA SHEET

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