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STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVE

The value of education is something that I have understood since childhood. Neither of my parents had the opportunity to attend college and as a result of that, they have faced many struggles in their lives. They therefore made a commitment early in my life to do everything within their power to instill in me the love for learning and an understanding of the importance of hard work and dedication. They further made me believe that the only way I could turn around the systemic poverty faced by the family is to acquire a higher education. Both parents are peasant farmers, however, they made many sacrifices to allow me focus on education throughout primary and senior high school.

In recognition of the sacrifices and admonishment from my family and teachers over the years, I have devoted the time and energy necessary for academic accomplishment even in times of glaring financial difficulties. I obtained the second best aggregate in the BECE 2018 for my school which won me an award by the Parent Teacher Association of the school. In my final year at Tamale Senior High School, I had 3.9 grade-point average and was named salutatorian of my graduating class.

I now have the opportunity to become the first person in my family to obtain college education. I am very enthusiastic about this opportunity because I believe it will set me up to accomplish my long-term goal of becoming a software Engineer. The hard reality I face however is that, my parents cannot afford to support me financially through tertiary education. This scholarship opportunity has thus come at an opportune time for me. Awarding me with this scholarship is a step towards alleviating my family as well as my community from poverty in the long-term.

If selected for this scholarship, I will continue to apply the same diligence to my collegiate studies as I have done to this point and upon completion of my studies, I intent contribute to my community, particularly in the areas of education and poverty alleviation. Thank you for your consideration.