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NOMINATION LETTER

Raul Albarran | Aim High

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I am pleased to recommend Raul Albarran with The Austonian Condominium Association to be nominated as the Aim High recipient.

Raul was first introduced to the organization when we used a sub-contracting company to staff the operation of our freight elevator. I immediately saw the potential in Raul and the need for a new, dynamic team member to add to our facilities department.

Shortly after that, Raul was added to our maintenance team and was excited about the opportunity and its growth potential. Raul has been with The Austonian team for over three years and continues to impress us daily.

Raul has overseen all annual inspections and has since taught others how to do them. He helped build an inspection binder which is still in place today and has continuous input on how to improve it. He has been in charge of the audio/video of The Austonian and recently built a portable conference setup where people can hold virtual meetings anywhere in the building.

Raul continually finds ways to make improvements in the Facilities Department. He has an excellent follow-up on projects he oversees.

Raul has also accomplished additional tasks, such as:

1. He is a Certified Pool Operator and works with the team to keep the pools at The Austonian in tip-top condition.
2. He is the lead for all audio/video at The Austonian.
3. Assists with the Imonnit leak detection and ensures it works properly throughout the building. (We have over 750 leak detection sensors at The Austonian.)
4. Put himself through an HVAC course at Austin Community College.
5. Has learned how to repair building tools and appliances thereby reducing outsourcing.
6. Has become an excellent painter who saves the building money by not having to outsource this task.
7. Has troubleshoot and repaired our trash compactor system, which saves money by not outsourcing.

Overall, I believe Raul Albarran is a great candidate for the Aim High award.

Respectfully,

David Voelkel

Chief Facilities Engineer

Austonian Condominium Association