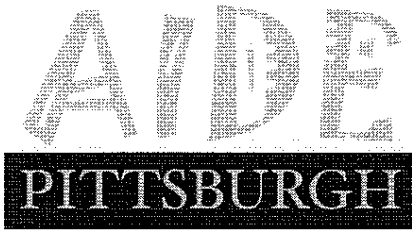


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To Whom It May Concern:

Sergio Sedas possesses extraordinary technical skills as evidenced by his advanced degree and esteemed position in and contributions to the field of Robotics. However what makes him truly extraordinary lies outside the laboratory. Fueled by a true sense of citizenship, Sergio has created opportunities for scholars, educators, and children to explore education and technology. He has arguably done more to advance the field of Robotics in Mexico than any other individual and has forged many of the collaborative relationships upon which its growth has been based

Sergio has a long standing commitment to volunteerism and specifically to creating opportunities involving access to education and technology. Throughout his career, he has worked to connect Mexico and the ITESM university system with technology leaders in the United States. Combining his natural leadership skills and vision, Sergio laid the groundwork for a Robotics educational program (Robotics camps) that may soon be offered in conjunction with Carnegie Mellon University at science centers, schools, and several university campuses in Mexico. There will also be exploration of a joint degree offered by ITESM and Carnegie Mellon University. Sergio will remain a vital part of future collaboration.

Sergio's rare combination of vision and talent have made him a technology and community leader. His commitment to volunteerism and community leadership make him a mentor for many of us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rachel Burcin".

Rachel Burcin
Board Member