

[Your Name]
[Your Position]
[Company Name]
[Date]

Subject: Request to Attend Grace Hopper Celebration 2023

Dear [Boss's Name],

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to formally request your approval for my attendance at the upcoming [Grace Hopper Celebration](#), scheduled to take place from September 26-29, 2023, in Orlando, Florida, and virtually. As someone who is dedicated to professional development and advancement, I believe that attending this event will provide invaluable opportunities for growth on an individual and departmental level.

Grace Hopper Celebration (GHC) is the largest gathering of women and non-binary technologists in the world. It serves as a platform for learning, networking, and promoting diversity and inclusion within the field of technology. This conference attracts thousands of talented individuals, industry leaders, and innovators, offering a unique opportunity to connect with like-minded professionals and gain insights into cutting-edge advancements. Registration for the event also includes GHC 23 Open Source Day, and one year of [AnitaB.org Premium Membership](#).

There are several compelling reasons why I believe my attendance at GHC 23 would greatly benefit both myself and our organization:

- 1. Professional Development:** GHC 23 provides an extensive range of workshops, presentations, and panel discussions led by industry experts and thought leaders. These [sessions](#) cover a wide variety of topics, including emerging technologies, leadership skills, and best practices in software development. By participating in these sessions, I will enhance my knowledge and skills, which can directly contribute to my performance and productivity in my current role.
- 2. Networking Opportunities:** GHC 23 brings together professionals from diverse backgrounds, fostering an inclusive environment for networking and collaboration. Attending this conference will allow me to connect with peers, mentors, and potential collaborators. These connections can open doors to new partnerships, ideas, and opportunities for our organization. Moreover, I can share our company's achievements and learn from the experiences of others in similar roles or industries.
- 3. Industry Insights and Trends:** Attending GHC 23 will provide a [comprehensive overview](#) of current industry trends, technological advancements, and emerging practices. Staying up to date with these developments is crucial for our organization's growth and competitiveness. By attending keynote speeches, technical sessions, and interactive workshops, I will gain valuable insights that can inform our decision-making processes and contribute to our long-term success.

4. **Company Visibility and Branding:** Supporting my attendance at GHC 23 demonstrates our organization's commitment to diversity, inclusion, and professional development. It highlights our dedication to fostering an environment encouraging growth, learning, and equal opportunities for all employees. Our participation in such a prestigious event can also enhance our company's reputation and attract positive attention from clients and potential partners.

Considering the benefits outlined above, I am confident you will see this as a worthwhile investment. It is an opportunity for me to network meet keynote speakers, attend valuable sessions and workshops, and gain specific industry knowledge. My attendance at GHC 23 is a wise investment and will pay off for years to come.

Here is my estimated breakdown of the costs:

GHC 23 Pricing: [select from one of the options below]

In Person - General	\$1,298
In Person - Academic*	\$649
Virtual - General	\$649
Virtual - Academic*	\$199

Airfare: _____

Hotel: _____

Shuttle to and from Hotel: Complimentary

Other Transportation: _____

Meals: _____

Thanks for your consideration. I am eager to represent our company at this remarkable event and bring back valuable insights that can benefit our team and contribute to our shared goals. I look forward to hearing your response.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

[Your Contact Information]