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Dear GitLab Hiring Team,

I'm J Bert Mahoney—Bert—and I'm writing to express my interest in the Senior Product Designer, AI role at GitLab. With a multi-decade long history and background in digital design and an interest in generative AI's impact on software development, the opportunity to contribute to GitLab's innovative efforts in the DevSecOps space is something I would love to take on.

I focus on making digital interfaces more straightforward and accessible for people and have done that for nearly thirty years. I am improving people's experiences through thoughtful design and leveraging current technologies to solve well-defined, complex problems.

At HamiltonBerchman and Hatch Early Learning, I led initiatives that pushed the boundaries of traditional design, using AI in the design process to help with user personas and documentation, focusing on user-centric solutions and technical excellence. This experience has honed my ability to thrive in fast-paced environments, adapt quickly to change, and generate software innovation with a blend of bottomless expertise, AI, and collaborative team efforts.

The prospect of working on GitLab's AI Framework and Duo Chat excites me. I am eager to bring my experience in eight design disciplines across thirty-five industries for nearly three decades to define and refine user experiences and use cases at GitLab.

My approach to design is always grounded in practicality and aimed at creating impact, aligning with GitLab's mission to empower organizations with efficient software delivery.

I look forward to discussing how my background and skills align with the needs of the GitLab team. Thank you for considering my application.

Best regards,

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