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Dear Reviewers of the Resilience and Compassion Seed Grants:

We are writing this letter in support of the Resilience and Compassion Seed Grant application entitled, "Amplifying Voices: Digital Storytelling for Asian and Pacific Islander Students Working for Social Justice." As members of the UW Libraries Coaching Team for the proposed digital storytelling workshop, we are committed to facilitating the workshop as part of this project.

The multiweek workshop will guide the Social Work Asian and Pacific Islanders (SWAPI) students at the UW School of Social Work through the development of their own digital story. The first session involves coming together as a community and talking about ideas. The second session is about "leveling up" video skills, and the third session is a draft workshop where participants have the opportunity to share their work and receive feedback. Finally, the last session is a celebration and reflection of the work. Greater details about the workshop, sessions, and deliverables are available at this website: https://sites.uw.edu/libstory/video-storytelling/syllabus-for-video/.

We recognize the importance of sharing API stories and are committed to the goals and objectives of this project as part of the work of the Campus Sustainability Fund (CSF) to foster compassion, resilience, and sustainability. This work aligns with our mission to help students and faculty communicate more effectively through storytelling. We have agreed to hold the workshop for this project in the 2023 fall quarter (October-November). The project team will hold screenings of their stories in the winter and spring quarters. We are eager and excited about supporting this effort with the School of Social Work, the UW Resilience Lab, and the CSF.

Sincerely,

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