Dear fellow members of the Academic Senate,

This is my third year as the Academic Senate representative from Chemistry and Earth Sciences. During this time I have served on the Elections Committee, the Sabbatical Leave Committee, and participated in the Elections Work Group. I regularly solicit feedback from the members of my department so I can represent their voice on Senate matters. In fall 2019, I attended the Academic Senate Plenary Meeting where I learned valuable information about how our local senate fits into the work of the statewide senate. All of these experiences have helped prepare me to serve on the Academic Senate Executive Board.

I am also very active in my department. I participate fully in my department decision making, and I have been elected to department chair for the next 2 years. I oversaw the program maps for chemistry. I co-organized the last four years of the Annual Collaborative Chemistry Conference. I encourage my students to engage in campus events including the Spring Festival, Multicultural Day, and many other campus talks, services and food drives. My students also complete community service by bring chemistry experiments to local elementary schools and after school programs.

As a member of the Academic Senate, I speak my mind and contribute new ideas. I’m not afraid to speak up to protect our “Moorpark” way of doing things. I believe in this faculty. I believe in our “students first” philosophy. I know there is great uncertainty about our next few weeks and months of instruction. If elected Vice President, I will work diligently to support our faculty and the AS President in all academic and professional matters, including the transition to remote instruction. It would be an honor to serve as your Academic Senate Vice President. Thank you for considering me.

Sincerely,

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