Dear Chair and Fellow Senators.

It is my greatest pleasure and honor to run for the Chair position of the Curriculum and Research (C&R) Committee. I am Hiu Yung Wong, an Associate Professor and Silicon Valley AMDT Endowed Chair in Electrical Engineering. I was the Chair of the C&R committee in 2023 Spring and have been serving the C&R committee and the Senate since 2022 Fall. This is my fifth year at SJSU but I have 12 years of industry experience. I also served on a University Naming Committee, COE AD Search Committee, Assessment Committee, Strategic Plan Task Force, and Department Chair Review Committee. I received the national McGraw Research Award, NSF CAREER Award, and COE Award for Faculty Excellence. The achievements in my research and teaching activities are not possible without some of the important policies set forth by the Senate, particularly those by the C&R committee.

When I first served in C&R, I felt the tasks were boring. We spent a lot of time and effort reading the details and wordings in policies, program proposals, and CCI proposals. But gradually, I realized that every hour we spent debating the precise wording of a policy and every moment we engaged in confrontation to reach a final consensus affects thousands of students and hundreds of faculties in the future years or even decades, in a good way. No other job is more meaningful and impactful than this. And no other job is more satisfying than being the chair of the C&R committee. After becoming the Chair, I have been very lucky to be advised and helped by my colleagues inside and outside of the C&R committee. I have been working with due diligence and seeking opinions during my tenure to ensure an efficient and effective C&R committee under the banner of shared governance. And I will continue to do so should I be elected. I hope you will trust me and support me again! Thank you very much!

Hiu-Yung Wong