

## SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Department of Internal Medicine Renal Division

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Re: Rachana Raghupathy, MD

To whom it may concern,

It is my pleasure to provide this letter of support for Dr. Rachana Raghupathy as she applies for a position in the AMA Governance Council. I am currently Rachana's program director in Internal Medicine at the Washington University School of Medicine, and I enthusiastically support her application for this role.

Dr. Raghupathy has had a heart for advocacy that extends back to her earliest days of training. She has been a member of numerous councils and committees for the American College of Physicians (ACP) and continues in a leadership program through the Forum for Women in Medicine (FWIM). She has been a representative and a residency liaison to the Missouri State Medical Association. And even now, her desire to advocate for patients and her passion for equitable, inclusive care bleeds through each encounter and every patient.

Rachana's resume is impressive – and her track record of involvement, representation, and advocacy is indeed stellar. But this passion is truly evident everywhere in her life. She deeply cares about representing the underserved, being a voice for the unheard, and advocating for all. I cannot think of a better applicant for this position!

Rachana has my full support in her application. She is an incredible young physician who is more than capable of serving on the Governance Council, and I am proud to support her in any way possible. If there are any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me!

Sincerely,

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