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DATE: October 1, 2020

FROM: Talia Bettcher, Chair, Academic Senate

TO: STUDENTS

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CALL FOR FACULTY NOMINATIONS FOR THE WANG FAMILY EXCELLENCE AWARD

SUBJECT: **DEADLINE: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2020**

The purpose of the Wang Family Excellence Award is to recognize and celebrate California State University faculty members who, through extraordinary commitment and dedication, have distinguished themselves by exemplary contributions and achievements in their academic disciplines, while having a discernable impact on students. Similarly, a staff member will also be recognized for extraordinary accomplishments in appropriate areas of his or her university assignment. Four faculty members and one staff member will be rewarded \$20,000 each."

Past selection committees have expressed the importance of considering the following when selecting nominees:

- A Wang Award nominee should be regarded as a "superstar" on the campus, with a demonstrated record of unusually meritorious achievements.
- Nominees should be making multi-faceted contributions to the campus and learning community, such as involving students in research and community service, arranging and supervising student internships, recruiting students, publishing, and enhancing overall student success, for example.

The categories are the following performance areas:

- (a) Outstanding Faculty Teaching
- (b) Outstanding Faculty Scholarship
- (c) Outstanding Faculty Service
- (d) Outstanding Faculty Innovator in Student Success
- (e) Outstanding Staff Performance

The External Awards Nominating Committee will review nominations and recommend to the President four faculty members. The CSU president may also nominate one staff member who currently serves in the management personnel plan as an Administrator III or IV on a campus.

To be eligible, the staff member's record of outstanding performance, activities, and accomplishments cited must have occurred after January 1, 2015. Campus presidents may nominate a faculty or staff member who has been previously nominated yet not selected as an awardee of the Wang Family Excellence Award.

NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE ACADEMIC SENATE OFFICE ON OR BEFORE 5:00 P.M. ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2020.