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Dear SOHF Trustees,

It is with great pleasure that we nominate Dr. Wilson Wang for the 2026 Heed Resident Retreat. Dr. Wang is currently in his PGY1 year of training but has already shown a strong interest in a translational science focused academic career. As you will see, he has a strong interest in ophthalmic imaging but also in the detection of biomarkers for ophthalmic disease. When our education and research committees contemplated who to nominate for this retreat, it was clear that he was our strongest candidate. Even though he is currently finishing his integrated internship, Wilson has been more active than most senior trainees in working on research projects with Dr. Apte as his mentor.

Wilson is quiet yet driven and sees his projects to completion. His interests are unique in that he is not focused strictly on ophthalmic disease processes, but his ideas are multidisciplinary beyond ophthalmology. I believe he will have a unique academic career – one that we need more of.

It is evident that Wilson will be a strong academician. His young career has already been recognized with multiple research-focused awards. I anticipate this to be a trend that will continue well after training. We are thrilled to nominate him for this experience. He was humbled by the nomination, and I know he will not waste an opportunity like this.

Sincerely,

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