**MANIFESTO FOR GUILD REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL**

**Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences**

Dear Victoria university community,

I believe that change does not come from simply wishing for it. It comes from action. That is why I’m running for the position of Guild representative council (FHSS) to be that action. I am deeply committed to advocating for **US**, to elevate our voices, and to address the issues that truly matter within our Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.

The reality is simple: the student experience is more than just lectures and exams; - it is about thriving as individuals, building a community, and ensuring that we, as students, are at the center of the decisions that shape our academic journey. I want to be the representative who does not just hear your concerns, but takes bold steps to address them.

**Why me:**

1. **A Proven Track Record of Leadership & Service:** I have consistently demonstrated leadership skills, whether it is through organizing initiatives, advocacy, or fostering a sense of community. I’m not just a talker. I’m a doer, and I am ready to bring that same energy to the Guild Representative Council.
2. **A Representative Who Truly Listens:** My leadership will be student-centered. Every decision I take will be grounded in students’ feedback and needs. Our voices matter, and I will ensure they are heard whether it is through surveys, open forums, or direct one-on-one conversations. Together in collaboration with the university administration, we will craft solutions that truly reflect our collective aspirations.
3. **Action-Driven Vision:** Words are easy. Actions speak louder. I will not simply promise change; - I will deliver it. From improving academic resources to enhancing student welfare and fostering a more inclusive campus culture, my focus is clear: real, impactful progress for every student.

**My Vision for the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences:**

1. **Academic Empowerment & Accessibility:** I will advocate and lobby for the resources we need to excel. Whether it’s more accessible course materials (both physically or virtually), increased access to academic advisors, or stronger faculty-student communication, I will work relentlessly to ensure that we are equipped to thrive in our academic pursuits.

2. **Comprehensive Mental Health & Well-being Support:** The pressures we face as students are real, and it is time we acknowledge and address them. I will advocate for stronger mental health services, more campus wellness programs, and a support network that ensures no one has to struggle alone. A healthy mind is the foundation for academic and personal success.

3**. Inclusive, Diverse, and Equal Representation:** Our strength lies in our diversity, and we need to make sure that every student feels welcome and heard. I will ensure that all voices, regardless of background, or circumstance, are actively included in the conversation. This is **OUR** faculty, and I will lobby for the representation we deserve.

4**. Career Development & Real-World Readiness:** The transition from academia to career can feel overwhelming. I will work hand in hand with the university administration to establish mentorship programs, and career fairs that connect us directly to industries and opportunities, ensuring that we graduate not just with a degree, but with the experience, knowledge and skills we need to succeed.

5. **A Stronger, Unified Student Body:** The more united we are, the more we can achieve. In collaboration with the university administration, I will foster a collaborative student body by advocating for events, activities, and forums that foster connection and solidarity across all disciplines in our faculty. Together, we are more than just individuals; we are a community.

**A Vote for Me is a Vote for Action.**

The next year of student leadership should be about more than maintaining the status quo. It is about pushing boundaries, standing up for what we deserve, and building the kind of faculty and student experience we can all be proud of. I am not here to promise false solutions. I am here to advocate and lobby for the changes that truly matter.

For that matter, I ask for your trust, your support, and most importantly, your vote. Together, let’s take bold steps toward a future where each of us has the tools, the support, and the environment to succeed and thrive.

Let’s make this year the one where we truly reshape the student experience. Together, let’s build something extraordinary.

Vote for me, and let’s turn our vision into reality.

Sincerely,

**Kampire Aphia**

Your Candidate for Guild Representative Council

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