

## Certificate of Appreciation

To whom it may concern,

We would like to recognize the outstanding contribution, effort, and dedication of Stella Kim to our team as a volunteer research assistant for the CoronaNet Research Project. Stella was active with our project from 2020-07-29 to 2020-10-17 and, in that time, coded and updated policy information for United States. Without the support of our dedicated RAs, such as Stella Kim, we would not be able to sustain our pace of policy documentation which, to date, counts close to 90 thousand policies from virtually every country in the world.

The CoronaNet Research Project is working to gather comprehensive and global data on government responses to the COVID-19 crisis. This work includes gathering information about which governments are responding to the coronavirus, toward whom policies are targeted (e.g. other countries), the types of policies enacted (e.g. travel restrictions, banning exports of masks) and their timing and duration. For more information, see [www.coronanet-project.org](http://www.coronanet-project.org).

Stella has been a country expert for United States. This role involves researching and creating a comprehensive overview of government policies enacted in United States as well as collecting and entering new and updated policy information related to COVID-19. Becoming a country expert requires passing a series of trainings on how to code data in the CoronaNet database, which uses a custom Qualtrics survey instrument, keeping up with policy coding on a weekly basis, and attending weekly country- or regional coordination meetings as well as project-wide meetings.

In addition to being a country expert, Stella took on the following additional roles within CoronaNet:

- **Project Manager:** Stella is an integral part of senior management team responsible for the selection, training, allocation, and monitoring of RAs. The Project Management team monitors and anticipates vacancies among RAs and country/regional managements and actively work to fill them to ensure staffing consistency. This role also provides support to country and regional managers in addressing performance and other issues that emerge within their teams. This role requires exceptional management and human-relations skills as well a strategic and problem-solving outlook to ensure smooth operation of CoronaNet.

In conclusion, we would like to reiterate our thanks to Stella Kim for supporting these important and time-sensitive collection efforts and for being part of the CoronaNet community.



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