# **Synaptic Labs Nonprofit**

#### Mission and Vision Statement

- Mission: To democratize Generative AI by making the technology accessible, enabling individuals to build and run their personal AI locally and affordably with full control.
- Vision: To create a community-driven platform that empowers people through open-source AI technology, fostering innovation and personal autonomy.

# Core Objectives

- Research and Development: Advance the field of Generative AI and prompt engineering through funded research projects.
- Open-Source Initiatives: Provide accessible opensource code and prompts to support individual and organizational use of AI.
- **Community Contribution**: Facilitate a collaborative environment where members contribute code aligned with the mission.
- The Library: Maintain a hybrid-open-source repository with commercial licensing options to generate revenue for members.

 Grant Funding: Secure grants to support research and development efforts.

#### Revenue Model

- Membership: Offer paid membership for access to The Library for commercial use, with a requirement to contribute code.
- **Commercial Licensing**: Provide commercial licenses for the semi-open-source code in The Library.
- Grant Funding: Apply for grants to fund research projects, ensuring the financial sustainability of the nonprofit.

#### Governance Structure

- **Board of Directors**: Establish a board of directors with Joseph Rosenbaum and James Griffing as permanent members who cannot be removed.
- Advisory Council: Create an advisory council consisting of experts in AI, nonprofit management, and related fields to provide guidance and support.
- Community Representatives: Include representatives
  from the community of contributors to ensure diverse
  input and alignment with the mission.

# Implementation Plan

- 1. **Governance and Legal Structure**: Set up the nonprofit governance and legal framework to ensure compliance and stability.
- 2. **Mission and Vision Communication**: Clearly articulate and communicate the mission and vision to stakeholders, potential members, and grant providers.
- 3. **Grant Application Strategy**: Develop a robust strategy for identifying and applying for grants that align with the research goals.
- Community Engagement and Contribution: Build a strong community engagement strategy to attract and retain contributors.
- 5. **Quality Assurance**: Implement processes to ensure the quality and relevance of code contributions.
- 6. **Marketing and Outreach**: Promote Synaptic Labs' mission, vision, and benefits to attract members, contributors, and grant funding.

# **Board of Directors**

# **Section 1: Composition**

The Board of Directors shall consist of [number] members, including permanent positions held by the Chairperson and Co-Chairperson.

### **Section 2: Permanent Positions**

The positions of Chairperson and Co-Chairperson are permanent and shall be held by Joseph Rosenbaum and James Griffing respectively. These positions are non-removable and not subject to election or replacement by the Board or any other entity.

# **Section 3: Voting Requirements**

- The removal of any board member, except for the Chairperson and Co-Chairperson, shall require a 75% vote of all remaining board members.
- The Chairperson and Co-Chairperson cannot be removed from their positions under any circumstances.

#### Section 4: Founders' Clause

The founders of Synaptic Labs, Joseph Rosenbaum and James Griffing, shall have lifetime appointments to the Board of Directors. Their positions are irremovable and are protected by this clause.

# Section 5: Supermajority Vote

Any decision to remove a board member shall require a supermajority vote of 75% of all board members, excluding the Chairperson and Co-Chairperson, who are exempt from removal.

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