Signed Statement

I, Dr. Vipul Janardan, hereby declare that the research work under reference, including my ongoing and completed studies, has not been awarded any fellowship other than those explicitly mentioned in my application. Specifically, the work detailed in this application has not received any financial fellowship or grant beyond the recognition and support provided by my mentors and institution.

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While I have independently contributed to the research in terms of data collection, analysis, and writing, the collaborative nature of these projects means that the achievements I present here are also a reflection of the collective effort of all those involved. I acknowledge and appreciate the contributions of my colleagues, co-authors, and support staff who have assisted in various capacities, ensuring the successful completion of the research.

By signing this statement, I affirm that all information provided is accurate and truthful to the best of my knowledge.

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