Dear Sir or Madam,

It is my great pleasure to write the letter of recommendation for Xiaoqin Feng to your esteemed program. I am Lei Xie, Head of Audio, Speech and Language Processing Research Group at Northwestern Polytechnic University(ASLP@NPU). I came to know Xiaoqin as her research supervisor in some collaborative research projects between the university and her company, during which Xiaoqin leaves me a deep impression with her excellent academic performance and comprehensive ability.

Xiaoqin has demonstrated strong communication and teamwork skills in the advancement of research. At the weekly bilateral meetings, she is responsible for organizing the meetings and summarizing the progress of the research, and then formulating and advancing the next steps. She is always able to coordinate all parties well, organize active participation in discussing research projects, effectively communicate research issues, and develop new feasible plans based on the actual situation. With her strong communication and teamwork skills, the weekly meetings have always ended in an orderly manner and research has progressed smoothly since we started cooperating in October 2021. And the *AudioBook* project we worked on together has been officially launched thanks to her tireless efforts.

Xiaoqin also has strong independent research and writing skills. As the supervisor of the thesis she led, I found that she has strong literature searching and summarizing skills, and is able to conduct and summarize a large amount of reading in English and Chinese. Besides, she could finish the thesis in a short period of time with a high quality. The thesis she writes is complete and logical, with both breadth and some depth. With follow-up modification and improvement, Xiaoqin's paper is eventually submitted to ICASSP2023 (a top international conference in the field of speech).

In addition, this excellent girl has a strong passion for learning and research. She has repeatedly expressed her desire to learn about various cutting-edge research findings in her field and to further her professional abilities. I am happy to provide her with assistance to help her progress. And your university's excellent research environment, rich academic resources and professional academic guidance are really a good fit for her to realize her dream and make her own contribution to the field.

Based on my personal appreciation of Xiaoqin, I sincerely hope that she could be given the chance to improve herself. With her excellent academic performance and comprehensive ability, I believe that Xiaoqin could excel in your demanding programme. Therefore, I highly recommend her to you. Thank you for your consideration.

Best Regards,

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