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Dear members of the American Nuclear Society Student Sections Committee:

The American Nuclear Society, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Student Section (ANS-UIUC) is pleased to submit its proposal to host the 2021 ANS Student Conference. Our student section continues to grow and find new avenues for professional development, outreach, and research. This year we have many new faces and each of them brought an invigorating energy for nuclear engineering. ANS-UIUC is qualified and prepared to host a student conference that will motivate students to take on big challenges and engage with the nuclear science community in new ways.

Our theme is: Saving the World One Atom at a Time. This theme reflects the important role the nuclear sciences will play in solving many of the world's grand challenges. It also recognizes the atomic contributions we all make everyday. Together, these contributions form the foundations of solutions to these grand challenges. It celebrates the people that make science possible by acknowledging that we come to this conference from an infinitude of backgrounds and experiences. It encourages us to widen our circles and include scientists and engineers with a diversity of thoughts. Finally, it inspires us to be active participants in the solutions to the world's problems.

This year we have added a Diversity Co-Chair to our leadership. We are devoted to making this conference as diverse and accessible as possible. This is a novel role for the ANS Student Conference and one we believe will become a staple in future conference proposals.

ANS-UIUC is ready and excited to take on the challenges of hosting a student conference. Thank you for considering our proposal to host the 2021 ANS Student Conference. We hope the message behind our theme resonates with the Student Sections Committee as strongly as it resonated with the students and faculty that made this proposal possible.

Thank you,

Sam Dotson General Co-Chair Jeremy Mettler Technical Co-Chair

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