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NISEI STUDENT RELOCATION
COMMEMORATIVE FUND, INC.

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Dear NSRC Fund Supporters:

This year marks the 30th anniversary of the Nisei Student Relocation Commemorative Fund (NSRCF) and I am privileged to serve as a board member with some of the original founders who honored their benefactors by establishing this scholarship fund. The work of the Fund's namesake, the National Japanese American Student Relocation Council, continues today thanks to the NSRCF. I write to thank you for your past generosity and to ask for your continued support.

I am a Sansei and I joined the board because I think it's important to "give back." In Japanese this is called *ongaeshi* – to repay a kindness. The NSRCF scholarships affirm the hopes and reward the hard work of students who, for a variety of reasons, need our help. Like those who mentored me, especially my high school teachers Lauryn Benton, Jim Soden and Steve Manieri, we too can help young students see the possibilities, instill confidence, and tell them they can and should go to college and pursue a career. I am deeply grateful for the encouragement I received and want to *ongaeshi* by working with this worthy organization.

My parents were interned in Topaz and Jerome when they should have been in college. Though they never continued their schooling, they were aware of the work of the Student Relocation Council which helped thousands of Nisei leave the camps for college. My parents rarely expressed their feelings about their incarceration nor seldom spoke of the work of the Quakers, who spearheaded the Council. I knew of my Aunt Yas Fujita's gratitude to the Quakers but did not fully understand the reasons until I learned of the NSRCF. From that point it was a quick and easy decision to want to join the board.

As a third-generation Japanese American, my contributions to the NSRCF reach beyond any cultural sense of obligation or indebtedness. Although my parents did not benefit from the Student Relocation Council's work, they valued education and ensured that my sisters and I went to college. Both of them are gone and I wanted to do something to honor them so I established the Hiroko Fujita and Paul Fukami Tribute Fund. With the help of others, it has grown to a Legacy Fund which provides an annual \$1000 scholarship.

We must never forget the "helping hand" extended by the WWII Student Relocation Council to enable so many young Nisei to fulfill their dream of getting a college education. Today, the NSRCF's work honors that past by looking to the future. In these challenging economic times, it is more important than ever to give generously. All contributions large or small are gratefully appreciated. I hope you will join me in continuing this legacy for the next generations.

Sincerely,

Joyce M. Fukami
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