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NELSON ARMSTRONG '71 Director of Alumni Relations

March 18, 1999

Ms. Sarah Cho 219-05 67<sup>th</sup> Avenue Flushing, NY 11364-2638

Dear Ms. Cho:

It is with the greatest of pleasures that I hereby recognize the Dartmouth Asian Pacific American Alumni Association (DAPAAA) as an official affiliated alumni group of Dartmouth College. As of this date, your organization is a part of the Dartmouth family and is entitled to all benefits accorded such organizations. It is indeed my hope that this is the first of many, many times I will say to you, your officers, and your membership "Welcome home!"

Stacey Wooley '91, Assistant Director of Alumni Relations, will serve as the liaison between DAPAAA and this office. Please feel free to call on her (or me) at any time. It will be our purpose to assist you in any way possible.

Ms. Cho, congratulations! And again, welcome home!

With best regards

Nelson Armstrong

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## Dartmouth Asian Pacific American Alumni Association

February 15, 1999

Nelson Armstrong '71 Director of Alumni Relations Dartmouth College 6068 Blunt Alumni Center Hanover, New Hampshire 03755-3590

Dear Nels,

On behalf of the Asian Pacific American alumni of Dartmouth College (the "College"), past and present, we are writing to request that the College formally recognize our newly formed organization, the Dartmouth Asian Pacific American Alumni Association (the "Association") as an affiliated group of the College. Under the terms of our constitution, the purpose of the Association is to develop a strong and enduring club structure in order to further the interests, welfare and educational purposes of the College. In particular, the Association shall work to foster community among the Asian Pacific American alumni of the College; to further the intellectual, cultural, social and educational well being of the Asian Pacific American alumni and students of the College; and to provide the College, as well as the larger College community, with the active support of the Asian Pacific American alumni of the College in matters of mutual concern.

To that end, we have been active over the past twelve months in making that vision a reality. Last January, we sent a letter to Asian Pacific American alumni inviting them to a meeting in New York to discuss the formation of the Association. At that meeting, with over thirty alumni present, we formed committees to draft a constitution, publish a newsletter, collect dues and hold elections. In August, we welcomed the Asian Pacific American matriculants of the class of 2002 from the New York area to the Dartmouth family at a billiards and pizza party. In November, our first newsletter and dues envelopes went out to nearly one thousand Asian Pacific American alumni and we passed our constitution by a unanimous vote at a meeting in New York. In December, we were elected to serve as the Association's first officers. Dues envelopes continue to flow back and our e-mail list continues to grow quickly. 1998 was an eventful year for this young group and we expect the pace of activity to continue with our new core of officers.

We are extremely excited about the projects our group has lined up for 1999. Over the course of the year, we hope to develop a comprehensive directory of Asian Pacific American alumni, establish a web-site, and work in conjunction with campus groups to begin an "e-mentoring" program for current students. In the meantime, we will continue work to strengthen the fabric of the Asian Pacific American alumni community, as well as its ties to the College, with periodic newsletters, regional social gatherings and community service projects.

Thank you and your staff for your strong support of this entity from its very creation. Without your kind words of encouragement and effort, none of this would be possible. Our hopes are that you will regard the Association as an integral member of the College

and yourself as a founding father in what we are working together to achieve. We look forward to your response and to working with you over the coming years.

Sincerely,

Sarah Cho '97 President

Feng Hsiung '97 Vice President

Yun Chung '97 Secretary

Kishan Putta '96 Treasurer