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To whom it may concern:

As the faculty co-adviser for Bakersfield College's Lavender Pride student organization, I am excited to support this application for a Student Organization Funding (SOF) Grant to fund our proposed field trip to Los Angeles in April of 2024. This trip will be in partnership with another student organization, SAGA, facilitating networking and cross-organizational collaboration and bonding as we tour several sites of significance to the LGBTQIA+ community. Students will visit sites of both cultural and historical significance, providing them with an excellent chance to expand their horizons alongside their peers.

The major items of interest on the trip will be a trip to the Queer Mercado in East LA, visiting Olivera Street to learn about the cultural history of the Tongva people, touring the Broad Museum, and seeing a live performance at Hamburger Mary's in the evening. Opportunities to visit new places and experience new settings, people, foods, and arts are a key part of the college experience, and I am excited for our students to participate in this trip.

Sincerely,



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