## We all face unexpected challenges in life — which is why I support The Wharton Fund.

Every year, the stories of alumni remind me how The Wharton Fund allows us to lift each other up, no matter the obstacles we face.

The myriad effects of the pandemic meant that Zamreen Ebrahim, WG'21, could no longer participate in a Global Modular Course, one of the hallmarks of the Wharton experience.

Yet thanks to The Wharton Fund, Zamreen, who pledged her support by joining the Young Franklin Society after graduation, traveled to Colombia this spring, as part of GMC+.

Wai Cheng, G'22, WG'22, faced a more personal challenge — but having a strong annual fund empowers our community to be there for each other, even in our most vulnerable moments.

Last year, Wai, who gave to The Wharton Fund in support of his Class Gift, accepted his dream job on the West Coast. Then his young son was diagnosed with a chronic health condition.

Working closely with a dedicated career advisor — an alumni benefit made possible by The Wharton Fund — Wai successfully transitioned to a fully remote role in the same industry, allowing his family to stay in Philadelphia with his son's care team.

When Zamreen and Wai gave to The Wharton Fund, neither of them knew they were helping

ensure their own future success.

Will you join me in supporting Wharton this year?

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Warmly,

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