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MABUHAY! Hi, I am Sharmaine.

Leadership is not a position of power but an opportunity to bring others closer, united and together towards a greater goal. I would like to thank CSDFEA for this wonderful opportunity in bringing young leaders closer to achieving their dreams. Your generous contributions serve as a beacon for fruitful individuals and I am truly grateful for all of your hard work. I would like to thank my parents and overall my family for being my fuel for all my achievements. Their undying support touches me, for I know that I am my biggest obstacle. They never stopped believing in me for they know what I am capable of. Thank you so much and I love you guys! I also would like to extend my thanks to God for being my rock and provider and my Father in heaven for without Him, I would not have the light during my darkest times.

The Filipino American community is not a prosperous one but has the capability to develop and become something even greater than is already is. I feel that even my simple gesture of cooperation can be an inspiration and though it may have a small impact today, but if we continue to move forward and united, we can achieve greatness. Salamat po! Thank you very much!