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With a steadfast commitment to guiding our BMS faculty through present financial challenges, I am seeking reelection to the Faculty Council. Over the past two years, I have leveraged my background in academia and industry to navigate these and other turbulent waters. With a career spanning over fifteen years in industry and research, including pivotal roles in Brussels, Cambridge (Mass), and London, I have cultivated skills in communication, collaboration, and strategic decision-making. I understand the intricacies of balancing budgets and priorities, and I am dedicated to ensuring our faculty's interests are safeguarded. My advocacy for academic freedom, equity, and transparent governance aligns with our university's values and is crucial in maintaining our institution's integrity during challenging times.

As we confront financial constraints, it is imperative to strike a balance between maintaining academic excellence and ensuring the well-being of our faculty. Through my continued service on the Faculty Council, I am committed to advocating for policies that support our faculty's diverse needs, promote transparency in resource allocation, and foster an environment conducive to both scholarly pursuits and career advancement.