



**OFFICIAL STATEMENT REGARDING COVID-19
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE MARCH 21, 2020**

To the members of the MAFA community and attendees of MFAS,

It is with a heavy heart that the 2020 Midwest Filipino American Summit Coordinators, MAFA 2019-2020 Executive Board, Filipino American Student Organization, and Filipino Student Union announce that we will be **officially cancelling this year's MFAS**. Amid the arising concern of COVID-19, we would like to prioritize the health and wellness of the MAFA and Filipinx-American community of the Midwest.

We are still **fully refunding** any delegate, performer or facilitator who has already paid the pre or regular registration fee. Registration refunds will be available **until April 24th, 2020**. Individuals interested in obtaining a refund may fill out our [refund form](#), or contact MAFA Treasurer Joshua Rousseau at wearemafa@gmail.com.

Although the conference is cancelled, we encourage all members of the MAFA community to discover their sampaguita, and remember the promises they have made to *Bloom Against Adversity*. We will have virtual events in the upcoming weeks of mid-April, so please be on the lookout for those announcements.

We would like to thank everyone for their patience and continued understanding.

Sa kaibuturan ng aming mga puso,

From the bottom of our hearts,

MAFA Executive Board (2019-2020)

FASO at UW-Madison Executive Board (2019-2020)

FSU at UW-Milwaukee Executive Board (2019-2020)