

As I write my final editorial for *Documents to the People*, I am filled with nostalgia, gratitude, and hope for the future. Over the years, this journal has been a beacon for those who believe in the power of information to shape our democracy. It has been a privilege to serve as its editor, guiding discussions and sharing insights that have strengthened our community and our collective mission.

Looking back, I am reminded of the many conversations and collaborations that have shaped our publication. I am grateful for the contributions of my colleagues, whose dedication and passion have made each issue a resource for our readers. Your support, insights, and efforts have been the backbone of our success.

2024 has brought with it an election of unprecedented significance. As I step down, we find ourselves during a momentous period in American history. For the first time, a Black and South Asian woman is running for president of the United States. This moment is not just historic; it is a testament to the power of perseverance, diversity, and the ongoing fight for equality. Her candidacy represents the culmination of centuries of struggle, advocacy, and progress—a beacon of hope for future generations who will grow up in a world where the highest office in the land is within reach for all, regardless of race, gender, or heritage.

In many ways, this election embodies the ideals that *Documents to the People* has championed for decades: the power of representation, the importance of access to information, and

the role of public institutions in ensuring that every voice is heard.

The journal will continue to thrive under Elizabeth Sanders's new leadership, and I am confident that it will adapt to the challenges and opportunities ahead. The world of government information is ever-changing, and the journal must evolve with it. However, the core mission will remain the same: to serve as a platform for the exchange of ideas, to promote transparency, and to empower our readers with the knowledge they need to make informed decisions.

I want to express my deepest appreciation to all who have supported me during my time as editor. Your contributions have been invaluable, and your passion for our field is inspiring. I am honored to have been part of this journey, and I look forward to seeing the continued impact of *Documents to the People* in the coming years.

Thank you for allowing me to be a part of this incredible community.

With gratitude,
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