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Steven V. Cates, PhD,

Editor-in-Chief, *Advances in Social Sciences Research Journal*

Dear Professor Cates,

I am enclosing a submission to *Advances in Social Sciences Research Journal* entitled “Gender Identity” for possible publication. Based on the importance that the structuring of Gender Identity (GI)and respective sex roles (masculine and feminine) have on both normal and pathological, and personal and relational psychosexual development, we intend to conduct an “Expressive” and “Instrumental” prospection able to aid in the construction of dimensions for this construct. To this effect, concepts were defined and theoretically framed according to their authors, and several assessment measures were defined. The aim was to contribute to future research on GI associated with other domains of human reality, while looking to not forget that, over time, it was an essential topic in Arts and Sciences, reflecting an immense curiosity to define, interpret, and research “representations” of masculine and feminine roles regarding the “actors” (men or women) of the “acts”, as well as their “spectators” (the other men and women, who are all of us). Thus, Gender and its Identity would gain greater relevance in any of these systems of observation and analysis, no longer obeying a charisma of “absolutism” for the relativization of their “carrier” (person that identifies as a man or a woman) and their “observer” (the person that identifies them as a man or a woman), in an overview with multiple factors. Currently, there seems to be an intensifying of undifferentiation of the roles assigned to Gender, a kind of androgyny, though without this meaning the existence of internal resonance of this undifferentiation, as if one walked towards a narcissistic society, as if it were mental hermaphroditism. The manuscript is 42 pages long.

This is an original work that was not submitted. My coauthors and I do not have any interests that might be interpreted as influencing the research. APA ethical standards were followed in the conduct of the study. I will be serving as the corresponding author for this manuscript. All co-authors have agreed with this submission and I will keep them informed of our progress through the review. I understand that, if accepted for publication, a certification of authorship form will be required that all coauthors will sign.

I appreciate in advance your time and consideration when reviewing this manuscript. Please, feel free to contact me if you need additional information or details.

Sincerely,

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