

Dear President Folt, Interim Provost Graddy, and Senior Vice President Washington,

As USC faculty, we have become aware that graduate student workers are seeking to form a union and engage in collective bargaining. This is not without precedent at USC; there are several other unions operating on campus already. We respect the right of graduate student workers to make this decision without any interference from USC administration or supervisors.

We care about our graduate student workers and our ability to support and mentor them in their development as scholars and researchers. Furthermore, we are proud of the world-renowned teaching and research we do together. We intend to remain neutral and will not attempt to interfere with grad students' rights to choose freely whether to form a union, and we encourage our colleagues, and administration, to do the same.

Signed,

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