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Brian J. Feldman, Vice Chair
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Dear Chair Kelley, Vice Chair Feldman, and Members of the Finance Committee,

Graduate students do the work of many faculty and staff at the University of Maryland and our work is essential to campus daily life. In addition to teaching as a standalone instructor of courses, many of us are called upon to write letters of recommendation and act as references for current and former students. We care about the students we teach and deserve to be treated like professional members of the community whose work is valuable. We matter and the university system could not operate without us.

We deserve to be officially considered to be what we effectively are: employees.

Sincerely,

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