Delores G. Kelley, Chair Brian J. Feldman, Vice Chair 3 East Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401 SB 521 Supporting

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

I am a PhD graduate student who has held many roles at the University of Maryland College Park. In my experience as a TA, RA and simply as a student, I believe our resources are taken advantage of. The COVID - 19 pandemic has exasperated these issues by loss of funding and unsafe practices of making students go to labs in dangerous situations. I support the unionization of graduate students like me because we need to be protected.

Sincerely,

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