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

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

Graduate students should have a chance to collectively bargain and have their voices heard by state and university officials. Too many decisions that directly affect us are made without any input from us. Graduate students deserve to be paid a living wage in the communities we live in and it is time that we get a chance to collectively bargain to ensure that this happens. We help keep universities up and running through our teaching and research and it is unacceptable that students are unable to pay their bills, while having little to no recourse to change this reality.

Sincerely,

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