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,

I am from the DC area, and before I enrolled I made sure that I had one of the lowest cost living situations possible so I would not be further burdened while in grad school. Despite these precautions, I have had to find supplementary income during the course of my graduate school to be able to maintain my (low) standard of living. I support collective bargaining rights, and cost of living adjustments to respect the necessary conditions for effective scholarship.

Sincerely,

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