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

Something has to be changed. It is unfair for students who work not to have collective bargaining rights. Students are the future of the country, and they are treated poorly. Graduate students who actually need to be privileged are hiving the lowest wages in the state. Have you tried to live on 21000 per year for six years, paying different student fees out of pocket? You can't collect money for the future, you can't buy a car, you can't live alone in an apartment (it is expensive nowadays, yes). That is all you can have because you can't take a second job in grad school. Studying, doing research, and being a teacher assistant takes all your time. Isn't it depressing that you can't grow financially? And now, imagine you have to do all that during the global pandemic that goes for years.

Sincerely,

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