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ROBERT C. DYNES
PRESIDENT

RE: Statement on Animal Research

Dear Bob:

The Academic Council endorses the stance taken by the President and the Chancellors on December 5, 2007. With deep conviction, we underscore the following from your statement: "Individuals are entitled to their views on animal research and to mount First Amendment-protected protests. But the kinds of activities engaged in by some animal research opponents have crossed the line." We urge all who are concerned with the rights of animals and of human beings to address their concerns with care, civility, and a sense of community.

The Academic Council requests that you share our concerns with the UC Community and other relevant individuals and agencies.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael".

Michael T. Brown, Chair
Academic Council

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Executive Director Bertero-Barceló