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February 26, 2020

JANET NAPOLITANO, PRESIDENT UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Re: Resolution on the Search for a new UC President

President Napolitano,

At its February 12 meeting, the Assembly of the Academic Senate unanimously approved the following resolution concerning the search for a new UC president. The Assembly requests your assistance in conveying the resolution to the Chair of the Regents Special Committee for the Presidential Search and the members of that Committee.

Resolution on the Search for a new UC President

WHEREAS in previous searches for UC Presidents the Chair of the Academic Advisory Committee was invited to attend ALL meetings of the respective Regents Special Committees; and

WHEREAS Regents Policy 7101.E specifies that "In general, the consultative practices followed in recent presidential searches shall be carried forward"; and

WHEREAS we understand the current Regents Special Committee has (with the exception of an initial meeting on November 6, 2019) met without the Chair of the Academic Advisory Committee;

Resolved, that the Assembly of the Academic Senate wishes to express its concern and disappointment about the exclusion of the Chair of the Academic Advisory Committee from the meetings of the Regents Special Committees. Faculty can contribute invaluable insights into the role played by the President in ensuring the University fulfills its education and research missions for the State, as well as in the overall functioning of the University. We hope that the Regents Special Committee will include the Chair of the Academic Advisory Committee in all future meetings and deliberations.

Sincerely,

Hilary Baxter, Executive Director

cc: Assembly Members
Provost Brown
Secretary and Chief of Staff to the Regents Shaw
Chief Policy Advisor Kao
Senate Directors