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October 1, 2003



Robert)Dynes
President
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Dear President Dynes:

I would like to **cnngratulate you on your new** *position of* President of the University of California. I have long been a strong supporter of our public higher education system. I know that the University of California (UC) will be in very good hands under your leadership.

It has been brought to my attention that contract negotiations between the United Auto Workers and the UC *have* recently stalled *with* several unfair labor practice charges being lodged against the UC by the union. As I understand it, the UC is demanding that the UAW withdraw the unfair labor practice charges and grievances over *the* UC's failure to provide the union with critical information for enforcing **their** rights.

Additionally, I understand that in contract negotiations, the UC misconstrued the positions of other labor unions regarding sympathy strikes, including the Coalition of University Employees and the University Professional and Technical Employees union.

These are very serious charges that should be resolved immediately. I urge you to resolve the situation with the UAW immediately and begin your tenure in a positive way with the labor organizations that represent the workers of the UC system. If I can be of any assistance to you in helping to resolve this, please do not hesitate to call me.

Once again, congratulations on your new leadership, *I look forward to working with you* to advance the University of California.

Sincerely,
A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gloria Romero".

Gloria Romero