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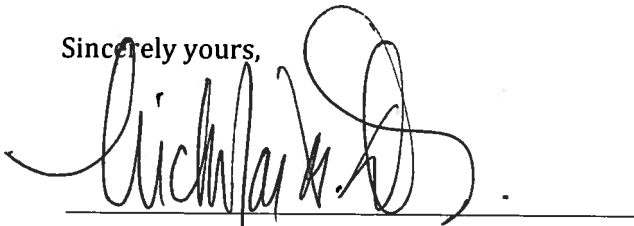
Dear Berkeley Disabled Students (BDS),

Thank you for following-up with us on the concerns that you outlined in your March 15th letter. We want to reiterate our shared interest in taking a systematic approach to improving the outcomes and experiences of students with disabilities. Partnership with your organization (BDS), the Student Coalition for Disability Rights (formerly the Disabled Students' Union), the Disabled Students Program (DSP), the Office for Faculty Equity & Welfare, and the Division of Equity and Inclusion will be critical in mapping out our progress towards our shared goals of addressing any and all systems that limit access to an equal education.

We have made progress on many of the items you reviewed, and have additional plans to continue that progress going forward. As these are all complex issues, we plan to schedule a meeting with members of the disabled students, staff, and faculty community and various members from our campus leadership to further discuss systemic solutions at a campuswide level. Our hope is that this meeting will give us an opportunity to share our progress thus far and our plans ahead, as well as hear the responses and concerns of the community. Our staff will follow up with you to find a date and time that works for all of us.

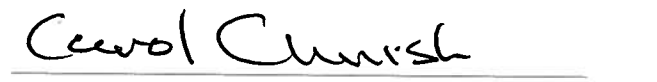
Thank you again for your continued engagement with us as we work towards improving the services for students with disabilities.

Sincerely yours,



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