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Patrick D. Gallagher  
Chancellor, University of Pittsburgh  
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RE: Follow up on our letter dated August 23, 2017

Dear Chancellor Gallagher and members of the Board of Trustees,

We again write to you as friends of your students, staff, and school to urge the University of Pittsburgh to stand tall for the unfettered rights of its employees to consider the question of unionization absent any fear of retaliatory action or intimidation. Specifically, we ask you to forego any marketing or communication attempt directed to your graduate students that in any way suggest that a vote to unionize may lead to deportation.

Your school and our area have a long history of welcoming and attracting people from across the world, and your grad students typically play an integral role in the high quality research and teaching that the University of Pittsburgh is renowned for. These grad students, no matter where they are from, are often a student's most direct line of communication with instructors and are increasingly relied upon to handle more responsibilities in our college system.

In recent times though, we have been aware that some schools of higher learning have taken an anti-union position as to their employee's unionization deliberations, and have directly or indirectly threatened international grad students with immigration problems should a union vote continue or prove to be successful.

We are proud of the University of Pittsburgh and how it prepares so many of our constituents for career and life. And while we recognize everyone's right to legal services and advice that represent your interests, as elected leaders who have championed, fought for, and in several cases, attended your school, we must continue to urge you to take a neutral position as to unionization of your faculty and hope that you will ensure us that the deplorable tactics used by some to unduly influence and intimidate employees- especially in regards to immigration status- would never be deployed by the University of Pittsburgh or its agents.



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As some of your strongest supporters, we would consider any immigration related threat to be inconsistent with our shared values as well as the values that will continue to lead Pittsburgh and Allegheny County forward.

We welcome and appreciate a timely response.

Respectfully,

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阿利根尼县之宾州州议会民主代表团去函匹兹堡大学校长

亲爱的校长Gallagher先生及董事会会员们:

作为你们的学生、雇员及学校的朋友，我们再次去信来敦促匹兹堡大学能够支持其雇员无所畏惧报复与恐吓，组成工会的自由权利。更准确地说，我们要求你们放弃向研究生表示投票组工会将导致驱逐出境的一切任何宣传或通告。

贵校和所在地匹兹堡以好客的文化历史闻名，并吸引着世界各地朋友的到来。研究生在匹兹堡大学知名的高质量研究和教学之中扮演不可或缺的角色。不论他们从哪来，这些研究生是学生和教师之间的沟通桥梁，学校也越来越依赖国际研究生来分担更多的责任。

然而，最近我们意识到有些高等院校对雇员组织工会之审议采取反对立场，甚至在即将投票决定是否组织工会或雇员成功组成工会期间，直接或间接地威胁国际研究生的移民身份问题。

我们对于匹兹堡大学对我们的培养感到骄傲，虽然我们认知到每个人都有寻求代表自身利益的法律服务和咨询的权利，但是，身为选民代表，我们曾经声援、捍卫或甚至就读你们学校，我们必须继续力劝匹兹堡大学校方对职员组织工会采取中立立场，并希望你们会向我们保证匹兹堡大学校方或学校的代理人不会采取恶劣手段以过分地影响并威吓雇员，特别是关于移民身份的问题。

身为你们最忠诚的支持者之一，我们认为任何对于移民身分的威胁不符合我们彼此共享的价值观，也不符合我们领导匹兹堡和阿利根尼县走向未来的价值观。

望回复。