



March 18, 2011

Chancellor Charles Reed  
California State University  
400 Golden Shore  
Long Beach, CA 90802

Dear Chancellor Reed:

As you know, the Closed Session on Executive Personnel Matters of the California State University Board of Trustees on Monday, March 21 is scheduled to take place at the Long Beach Hyatt Hotel. This is a hotel that is known to be listed on a union "Do Not Patronize" list.

As you also may be aware, we do not schedule events at hotels that have been placed on "Do Not Patronize" lists as an acknowledgement of our concern that these establishments may be engaging in harmful practices toward working Californians.

As statewide public officials who serve as ex officio members of the CSU Board of Trustees, we believe that the entire Board of Trustees should maintain an ongoing relationship of mutual respect between the University and its many union employees.

Therefore, we are asking that the University not hold events at locations that are on "Do Not Patronize" lists.

Additionally, in these tough economic times, it would seem to make more sense for the University to utilize the meeting space at its headquarters, as it does in most other instances, rather than contract with any private entity for outside meeting space.

We appreciate your attention to this situation.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of John A. Pérez in black ink.

John A. Pérez  
Speaker of the  
Assembly

Handwritten signature of Tom Torlakson in blue ink.

Tom Torlakson  
Superintendent of  
Public Instruction

Handwritten signature of Gavin Newsom in blue ink.

Gavin Newsom  
Lieutenant Governor