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The Long Beach Coalition for Good Jobs and a Healthy Community includes residents, workers, students and academics as well as labor, faith and community-based organizations.

We believe that workers' rights are human rights and that people should have a say in the political decisions that affect their lives.

Our mission is to address the growing inequality and poverty in Long Beach by promoting living wages, responsible development, affordable housing and healthy communities.

The Coalition engages in grassroots leadership development, political advocacy, civic participation, and public education to make a more livable Long Beach for everyone.

Dear Chancellor Reed,

On January 27th 2011, members of the Long Beach Coalition for Good Jobs and a Healthy Community together with Long Beach residents, students and hotel workers came before you and the CSU Board of Trustees to voice our concerns regarding the ongoing worker-called boycotts at the Hyatt Regency Long Beach and the Hilton Long Beach. We asked that you, in the spirit of the CSU mission, do the right thing and demonstrate a commitment to our students, their families, and the residents of our communities by respecting the boycotts. Subsequently, on Friday February 18th you and Mr. Richard Barnes met with us to discuss the labor disputes. While it was clear from our conversation that we did not see eye-to-eye, we were dismayed to discover that there is a special closed session on "Executive Personnel Matters" at the Hyatt Regency Long Beach during the upcoming Board of Trustees meeting. We feel that by holding this meeting at the Hyatt Regency Long Beach during an ongoing labor dispute not only dismisses the concerns we raised at the January 27th meeting, but displays a lack of respect for the dignity and worth of the Hyatt workers.

We once more ask you to honor the boycott thereby supporting the basic human right of workers to have a fair and neutral process to organize free from intimidation and harassment, and not place CSU representatives in the awkward position of having to do business with a hotel involved in a labor dispute where workers have called for a boycott.

Sincerely,

The Long Beach Coalition for Good Jobs and a Healthy Community

cc: California State University Board of Trustees