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Committee of Eleven

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Dear Dr. Robbins,

The Committee of Eleven supports and urges you to seriously consider the recent vote by 1,305 (89.26% out of 1,462 who voted) members of the General Faculty to support the delay of the University of Arizona FURLOUGH AND FURLOUGH BASED SALARY PROGRAM, to allow time for study and revision in collaboration with shared governance bodies and the General Faculty.

The Committee urges you and your team to work closely with the members of the General Faculty, including CAJUA representatives, and the respective shared governance entities to seek a cooperative accord that can achieve a rational and compassionate institutional financial path moving forward.

The words “we are in this together” have been enunciated many times during this crisis and it is imperative that these words acquire real meaning and are validated by actions, as the professional and financial future of the campus community is being negotiated and decided. Now more than ever “collective wisdom,” rather than the ideas of a few, is needed to overcome challenges and seek opportunities for the greater good. The Committee looks forward to a positive acknowledgment of the vote and to the opportunity to contribute to this dialogue.

Thank you for your attention.

Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Javier Duran', written in a cursive style.

Javier Duran

Chair of the Committee of Eleven