

California Legislature

November 25, 2013

Dr. Leslie Wong
President, San Francisco State University
San Francisco State University, Office of the President
1600 Holloway Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94132

Dear President Wong:

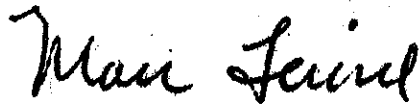
We are writing to thank you for denouncing the senseless acts of intolerance that took place at San Francisco State University on November 7, 2013. Celebrations of violence toward an individual group or community lack legitimacy or standing in civilized society. Your quick and direct response makes this abundantly clear.

As legislators we agree with your statement and share your concerns with the tenor of the demonstration. The incendiary views expressed on November 7 seek to intimidate the Jewish community and subdue a civilized and thoughtful dialogue. These hateful demonstrations foster prejudice and bigotry. Such actions are the antithesis of an institution of higher learning, which is a wellspring of thoughtful and compassionate dialogue.

Your statement affirms a commitment to preserving a campus where all students and community members are free from intimidation. We appreciate your decision to engage with the campus community to express your concerns, learn more about the campus climate and to gather information about this occurrence so it may be appropriately addressed.

Once again, we thank you for your work to preserve a culture of tolerance at San Francisco State University and applaud your efforts to discourage exhibitions of discrimination.

Sincerely,



MARC LEVINE
Assemblymember, 10th Assembly District



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Assemblymember, 37th Assembly District

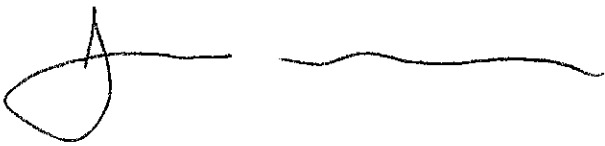


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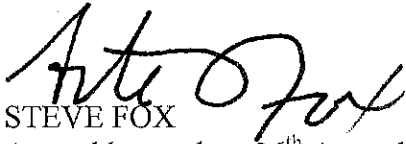
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