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Dear President Johnsen, Vice President Layer, Chancellor Caulfield, Chancellor Sandeen, and Chancellor White:

Firstly, I would like to thank the Board of Regents for delaying their vote on declaring financial exigency. Thank you! We view this short reprieve as a way to continue to advocate with the legislators and the Office of the Governor in hopes of restoring most, if not all, of the budget that was passed by the legislators.

In the meantime, I understand that budget scenarios are being developed by the three universities, and also scenarios for moving towards a single accredited institution. To this end, the Faculty Alliance would like to respectfully request that each of the Chancellors and Provosts engage your respective Faculty Senate President and two senior faculty on your budget scenario planning team. I understand that UAS has already implemented this.

It is clear that there are probably several scenarios:

- a) the 41% cut;
- b) Legislative bill to restore \$100 million;
- c) Legislative bill to restore more than \$100 million—maybe even the entire amount that was vetoed by the Governor.

Chancellor Sandeen and White, is it possible that you invite your respective Faculty Senate President and their choice of at least two additional senior Faculty to be included in your budget teams that are working on scenarios immediately-due to short time frame?

Discussion on restructure is also on the table and again, the respective Faculty Senate Presidents and the two additional senior faculty have to be involved with the discussions in addition to the Faculty Alliance Chair.

There is an incredibly short time frame and if this can be implemented, it will ensure that you are getting faculty input as you all move forward in this urgent time

I deeply appreciate all the advocacy you are all doing and the faculty are also doing incredibly hard work. The fight is not over yet.

Sincerely,

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Maria Williams, Faculty Alliance Chair

Cc: Cyndee West, Abel Bult-Ito, Sonny Ramaswamy, Mac Powell, Valerie Martinez, Anupma Prakash, John Stalvey, Karen Carey, UA Board of Regents