## UCLA Academic Senate

December 17, 2021

Gene Block Chancellor

**Re: Faculty Salaries** 

Dear Chancellor Block,

At its meeting on December 16, 2021, the Executive Board discussed the issue of faculty salaries. Members voted unanimously in approval of a letter to you requesting a 6-7% increase to the base salary scales across the board for faculty, effective July 1, 2022. This proposal asks that the increase be added to the base scales rather than including the "off-scale" salaries, because this would foster equity and benefit all faculty, while controlling cost. This request is motivated by several considerations. First, despite recent advances, faculty salaries still lag those of our comparators. Secondly, the current regental budget proposal, as well as funds returned to the campus due to the reduction in employer contributions to UCRP (instead of an expected increase), speak to the financial feasibility of our request. Finally, the extraordinary work and sacrifice by the faculty in maintaining academic continuity through the pandemic, the transition to remote, the transition back, and the need to teach many courses in dual mode to support students who quarantine, must be recognized.

Given these considerations, we feel that this request is both justified and financially reasonable, and look forward to your response.

Wishing you a wonderful holiday season, sincerely,

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Jody Kreiman Chair UCLA Academic Senate

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