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Darnell Hunt
Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost

Re: UCLA Holistic Response to the Climate Crisis

At the February 29, 2024, meeting of the Executive Board (EB), members reviewed the attached Campus Response to the Climate Crisis Special Committee’s (CRCC) recommendation for a holistic response to the climate crisis at UCLA.

EB members unanimously voted in favor of a motion to endorse the letter and forward it to you, especially as planning and implementation of both the strategic plan and campus expansion projects gets underway at UCLA. The recommendations include a) prioritization of the reduction of carbon emissions, b) recognition that the impact on the climate crisis extends beyond our campus infrastructure and that a broader approach to decarbonization is critical, and c) acknowledgement that the campus taking a holistic, proactive response to the climate crisis that may serve as a model for other UCs and beyond.

We would appreciate distribution of this letter to senior administrative leaders for their consideration as well as a response that describes how decarbonization efforts are included in the implementation of both the strategic plan and the campus expansion projects.

Sincerely,

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Chair, UCLA Academic Senate

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