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TO: Ken Barish, Chair
Riverside Division of the Academic Senate

FROM: Iván Aguirre, Interim Chair
CHASS Executive Committee

RE: Report Review: Interim report of the Academic Senate Task Force on UC
Adaptation to Disruptions (UCAD)

The CHASS Executive Committee reviewed the Report Review: Interim report of the Academic Senate Task Force on UC Adaptation to Disruptions (UCAD) and appreciates the UCAD Task Force's labor on identifying these key issues on academic disruptions. We recognize the importance of bridge funding and the emphasis on maintaining a comprehensive university that engages with the educational needs of our times. The committee recognizes and values the importance of collaboration across campuses and departments in order to share resources, and we are cautious about how that collaboration will look as it is being developed. We are especially concerned about how under resourced campuses such as UCM, UCR, UCD will be disproportionately affected and how the current report will address these budgetary differences. The commitment of support across disciplines and departments is something that the report recognizes, and the Committee underlines it as something essential for maintaining a comprehensive university. Finally, the Committee noted that the report lacked language acknowledging the reality that some research areas, departments, and units in particular are being targeted as problematic or meriting removal of funds, and how some of these disruptions are ideologically targeted. The Committee encourages more clarity on what disruption means in this context and how the System can organize to support these research areas, departments, and units.