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SENT VIA ELECTRONIC AND U.S. MAIL

Dear President Cauce:

WFSE Local 304 stands in solidarity with the Academic Student Employees at the University of Washington, members of UAW 4121. With the skyrocketing cost of living in Seattle, members of my union understand the urgency of addressing this issue and are disappointed that the University of Washington has failed to do so. Local 304 includes community college classified staff from around King County, including 750 in the Seattle College District.

We are prepared to stand in solidarity with striking UAW members, and are working to mobilize our members to the picket lines tomorrow should the UW fail to reach a fair agreement with the UAW before then. We are also contributing to a solidarity fund to cover picket line expenses. I hope that the UW administration will return to the bargaining table and settle a fair contract with UAW members that addresses the high cost of living education workers all over Seattle are struggling with.

Sincerely,

Alex Bacon
President, WA Federation of State Employees 304

Cc: UW Board of Regents
UAW 4121