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Margaret Wong, President
Massachusetts Community College Council
c/o 27 Mechanic St. Suite 104
Worcester, MA 01608

Dear President Wong:

This letter will confirm our discussions during the May 1, 2020 impact bargaining session in which it was agreed that the BHE/Colleges shall not contest unemployment insurance claims filed by MCCC Day Unit professional staff members whose employment is ended or reduced through retrenchment or otherwise due to the current public health pandemic except in instances where a unit member is dismissed for cause.

I believe the above accurately reflects our agreement. If you believe the above does not accurately reflect the parties' agreement or if you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

/s/ *Michael J. Murray*

Michael J. Murray
Director of Employee and Labor Relations

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