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The Honorable Lorena Gonzalez, Chair
Assembly Appropriations Committee
State Capitol, Room 2114
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 1726 (Bonta), as Amended on March 1, 2016
Scheduled for hearing in the Assembly Appropriations Committee on April 27, 2016
Position: SUPPORT

Dear Chair Gonzalez,

The University of California (UC) is pleased to support AB 1726 (Bonta)—a measure that would request UC to report on admissions and enrollment data for Asian and Pacific Islander students according to categories prescribed in the bill. The bill would require UC to update the report according to categories used by the United States Census Bureau.

AB 1726 is consistent with our goal and efforts to enroll a student body that reflects California's diversity. UC currently collects this data, which we have found to be useful in evaluating the outcomes of our admissions process. In addition, we believe the bill would better promote coordination and standardization among the higher education segments in this area. We appreciate Assembly Member Bonta's leadership on this issue.

Should you have any questions on the University's position on AB 1726, please do not hesitate to contact me at (916) 445-9924.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nadia Leal-Carrillo".

Nadia Leal-Carrillo
Legislative Director

cc: Assembly Member Rob Bonta
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