The Graduate Student Society at Simon Fraser University Maggie Benston Centre, Room #2203 8888 University Drive Burnaby BC V5A 1S6

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The Teaching Support and Staff Union Academic Quadrangle, Room #5129 8888 University Drive Burnaby BC V5A 1S6

To our colleagues at the Teaching Support Staff Union,

We would like to acknowledge and thank the hard work made by so many of you during the recent—and protracted—labour dispute with Simon Fraser University. This has been a long and challenging process, and we can only imagine the dedication, courage, and commitment necessary to advance collective bargaining to this point.

Student activism is inherently challenging. Although we can all take pride in the value of our efforts, the frustrating reality is that many positive outcomes occur only with considerable effort and after substantial time. Everyone at TSSU should be very proud of the effort invested into reaching a new collective agreement. Your efforts will clearly benefit all future graduate students working as teaching assistants, tutor markers, or sessional instructors at Simon Fraser University.

With respect, and in solidarity,

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