



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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Anthony P. Monaco, *President*

March 13, 2019

Members of the City Council  
City of Somerville  
City Hall  
93 Highland Avenue  
Somerville, MA 02143

Dear Councilors Ballantyne, McLaughlin, Hirsch, Mbah, Rossetti, White, Scott, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, Niedergang, and Davis:

We appreciate your sharing your concerns about Tufts University's negotiations with its dining staff through the adoption of Resolution #207598.

Bargaining sessions have continued actively since August 2018. The university and the union have made progress on many draft proposals that deal with a wide range of matters, and we are hopeful that we will find common ground and reach agreement as soon as possible. We are encouraged by the engagement with which the parties are listening to and learning from one another. The university appreciates everyone who has taken the time to share their experiences and ideas at the table.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony Monaco".

Anthony P. Monaco  
President

Enclosure

cc: Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone, City of Somerville  
Mr. John J. Long, City Clerk  
Ms. Mary R. Jeka, Senior Vice President for University Relations and General Counsel,  
Tufts University  
Mr. Rocco DiRico, Director of Government and Community Relations, Tufts University