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Champlain College
251 Willard St, Burlington, Vt 05402

Dear President Laackman

We have recently been contacted by the adjunct faculty members at Champlain College who are attempting to organize with SEIU to win work with dignity, win a voice in their classroom for themselves and the students they teach.

They have asked us to contact you to express our support for a neutral process, and not to use tuition dollars or other college resources to oppose this effort. We support adjuncts moving towards a free and fair election, free from intimidation, coercion, and unnecessary legal hearings or delays.

We believe there is no reason for the institution to use student tuition dollars or other college resources to fight the adjuncts right to organize. We believe tuition dollars should be used to help educate Champlain College students, rather than to fight against the professors who have dedicated their academic careers to helping students achieve their dreams. We hope you agree with us.

We stand with adjuncts - our 600 low-wage Vermont residents and we believe a neutral process, not using tuition dollars and not using other college resources to oppose this effort is in keeping with Champlain College commitment to social justice.

We are extremely proud to have an educational institution with such high standards. Thank you for your work to educate Vermont students and attention to this matter.

Standing with adjuncts,

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