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To: Harold Ticho, Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs  
From: James Lin, Chair, Asian American Studies Search Committee

Dear Harold:

I have decided to resign as Chair of the Asian American Studies Search Committee. My duties as chair have simply been too great considering the obstacles I and my committee have encountered. I cite just a few:

1. Departmental rejection of [redacted] despite their having major offers at other major institutions (U.C. Berkeley and U.C. Santa Barbara), and the signed support on this campus of 40 professors who favor their hiring.
2. The loss of [redacted] last year, a candidate who received a much better offer at U.C. Santa Barbara.
3. The letter of [redacted] citing the lack of fair play in the review process for her file.
4. The delay on [redacted] offer, despite the fact that she was almost unanimously approved by the Literature Department in late February and the deadline for intramural transfers is April 1. (I am told her offer has finally been sent out today.)
5. The claims on the part of the Sociology Chair
  - (a) that there was absolutely no support for [redacted] by the Political Science Department despite one-half of the department signing a petition indicating their support for his candidacy,
  - (b) that [redacted] would not receive an offer from U.C. Berkeley even though in reality she has,
  - (c) that I failed to advertise even though the duties of advertising for the position were placed under the jurisdiction of the Social Science Dean.

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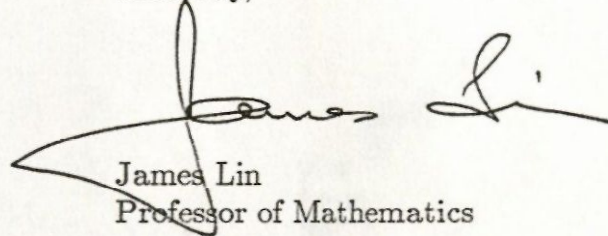
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Because these candidates are recognized nationally as the best in their field and have been treated poorly by UCSD I cannot in good faith imagine that other candidates of similar stature would be willing to apply.

Sincerely,



James Lin  
Professor of Mathematics

Matthew Chen  
Mingyi Li

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