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March 27, 2017

Tiffany Thomas, Hearing Officer  
Alaska Labor Relations Agency  
3301 Eagle Street, Suite 206

Re: Request for Mediation

Dear Ms. Thomas,

The University of Alaska and United Academics– AAUP/AFT started negotiations on September 19, 2016. After six months of regular meetings, the University presented its last, best, and final offer on March 24, 2017. United Academics believes the parties are at impasse. In accordance with A.S 23.40.190, we are jointly requesting a competent, impartial and disinterested person to act as mediator as both parties have negotiated in good faith and mutually desire a successor collective bargaining agreement. We request a mediator appointed by the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service in accordance with 8 AAC 97.270(b).

Sincerely,

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Tony Rickard  
United Academics, Spokesperson

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Geoffrey Bacon  
University of Alaska, Spokesperson