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MEMBERS OF THE CAMPUS COMMUNITY:

You all know that we have been obliged to call for outside assistance to provide adequate protection to lives, property and the educational process. The police assistance available to us from mutual aid cannot continue to meet our needs.

Our experience, confirmed by professional opinion has indicated that we are most successful in maintaining a peaceful, orderly campus when we have adequate manpower available, in advance, to prevent disorder, as contrasted with emergency forces to deal with crises. This kind of prevention is not possible with the present manpower available to us.

Sheriff Madigan asked Governor Reagan for augmentation of the manpower available to him by assignment of personnel for as long as needed from the California Highway Patrol. President Hitch, at my request, joined the sheriff in this appeal. In order for the Governor to comply with this request, he must declare that a state of emergency exists. This he has now done.

I regret more than I can say that such a declaration is legally required because the faculty and student body have gone about their work resolutely and the University has continued to function. Nevertheless, the continued violence, violation of University regulations, disturbances of classes, threats and vandalism make it imperative that we have more help than the county is able to provide if the University is to continue to function. Moreover, I believe that a state of order is necessary if we are to make progress with the issues before us, which I outlined to the campus community on Monday. For these reasons I joined in the request that was made.

I want to make it clear that the state of emergency, required for technical reasons, does not imply any change in our normal campus life. The only thing that has happened is that more law enforcement officers have been made available to the Alameda County Sheriff to help us maintain a free and open campus.

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