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Dear President Parker, General Vice President Saunders and Ms. Davis:

As you know, and with the concurrence initially of both President Parker and General Vice President Saunders, the AFT is assuming the limited role of monitoring the election of the WTU Election Committee and Delegates to the AFT Convention. That election process begins today and will be completed on May 27, 2010. At that point, the WTU Election Committee will be seated and AFT's role in that election will end.

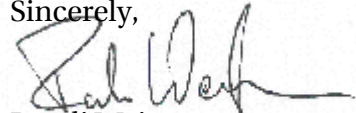
The AFT's goal in assisting in the process is simple: to ensure an open, transparent and fair process that meets the requirements of the WTU's constitution. Your members, who are also members of the AFT, deserve nothing less. In keeping with that goal, I am implementing the following procedure to govern any communication between each of you and the AFT about the election process. I have asked Al Squire, Regional Director, to be the AFT point-of-contact for all inquiries related to the election of the WTU Elections Committee and Delegates to the AFT Convention. All communication with AFT should be in writing and sent to Mr. Squire via email at asquire@aft.org or via regular mail sent to 555 New Jersey Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20001. Your inquiries will be addressed as quickly as possible and responses will be provided to you in writing. The AFT will retain copies of all correspondence for one year.

Elections are the processes by which our members decide who will represent them with respect to issues affecting not just them and their jobs but the education their students receive. It is incumbent upon all of us to ensure that this process is

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conducted in a manner that respects not only the WTU and AFT constitutions but its members.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Randi Weingarten", written over a light gray circular stamp.

Randi Weingarten
AFT President

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