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Statement from Current and Previous COGS Presidents Regarding the Board of Trustees and President Stanley:

We, the Council of Graduate Students (COGS) Presidents for the years '19-'21, '21-'22, and '22-'23, write to express our concern at the reported intentions of the Board of Trustees to remove President Stanley from office.

During each of our terms, we as Presidents have emphasized to the Board the importance of communication, transparency, and collaborative decision making in repairing trust. In the spirit of those values, MSU's graduate students, and the community at large, deserve a full accounting of the Board's concerns and the opportunity to participate in the deliberative process.

Signed,

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Hannah Jeffrey President, 2022-2023

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The Council of Graduate Students (COGS) is the constitutionally authorized government representing all graduate and professional students at Michigan State University. COGS actively promotes the improvement of both the individual and collective graduate experience by working with university administrators and faculty on a multitude of graduate student issues.