



July 28, 2025

Roderick L. Jones, Ed.D, MPA  
President  
Goddard Riverside  
593 Columbus Avenue  
New York, NY 10024

Dear Dr. Jones:

As elected officials who represent constituents supported by the Goddard Riverside Law Project, we write to urge you to return to the bargaining table with UAW Local 2325 - Association of Legal Advocates and Attorneys and engage in good faith negotiations to end the strike as soon as possible.

As you are well aware, the workers at the Law Project perform a critical service to our community by providing free legal services and tenant-organizing support to low-income residents on the West Side of Manhattan to help preserve affordable housing and improve living conditions. Each one of the Law Project's staff has worked to provide vital services to our community members, including eviction defense, tenant rights education, one-shot deals, and client intakes that have prevented evictions in our communities.

At the same time, these workers deserve a fair contract that reflects their hard work and enables them to afford to live in the city. These workers should have the financial stability to continue this work and the appropriate caseload amount to provide each client the proper care and attention they need.

An interruption of legal services due to a protracted strike jeopardizes the housing stability of our constituents. Therefore, we implore you to return to the bargaining table promptly so our constituents can continue to receive essential services provided by the Goddard Riverside Law Project.

As always, we thank you and Goddard Riverside for your longstanding support of our neighborhoods.

Sincerely yours,



Brad Hoylman-Sigal  
State Senator, District 47



Cordell Cleare  
State Senator, District 30



Linda Rosenthal  
Assembly Member, District 67



Micah Lasher  
Assembly Member, District 69



Tony Simone  
Assembly Member, District 75



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Council Member, District 6



Shaun Abreu  
Council Member, District 7