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Mr. Harry Alpert
Vice President for Academic Affairs
University of Oregon
Eugene, Oregon

Dear Mr. Alpert:

One of my constituents has called to my attention the enclosed article regarding homosexuals. I would appreciate receiving from you any statements of policy, or rules or regulations, which would be applicable to those in the employ of the University who might be homosexuals.

My constituent has views with which I do not necessarily agree. However, his concern is relative to the employment of homosexuals by the University of Oregon. He feels that no homosexual should be employed by the State System of Higher Education.

My interest is in the extent to which the codes of ethics in the academic community permit or prohibit expression of attitudes on the whole question of sexual conduct, be it homosexual or bisexual, by members of the academic staff. I think a distinction should be drawn, and I would like your views between the expression of views on matters of sexual conduct by a professor of physics or mathematics in his classroom, as distinguished from the expression of views on sexual conduct by a professor of sociology or psychology.

Your advice on this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Vern Cook".

Vern Cook

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cc: Mr. Don Graber