## FRIENDS OF LOWELL FOUNDATION APPLAUDS COURAGEOUS LOWELL TEACHER IN LEAVING UESF

With deep respect and admiration, the Friends of Lowell Foundation commends the courage and moral clarity of Lowell High School mathematics teacher Dr. Elizabeth Statmore in resigning from the United Educators of San Francisco (UESF) due to its flagrant antisemitic and pro-terrorist policies, including its support for Hamas, a self-professed terrorist organization per its charter.

Dr. Statmore's decision to take a principled stand against hypocrisy and intolerance within the union is both brave and necessary. The moral decency in her article <u>Quitting United Educators</u> is admirable.

We remain committed to fostering an inclusive education system that embraces diversity of thought and experience. However, the blatant antisemitism exhibited by the UESF is unacceptable. It has no place in our schools or in any institution that claims to support the well-being and education of our children.

We call upon the City of San Francisco and Mayor Daniel Lurie to investigate whether further action can be taken to prevent the UESF from using its platform to promote antisemitism within the San Francisco Unified School District. Our schools must be spaces of respect, learning, and inclusion for all students, regardless of their background or beliefs.

It is imperative that our city take a firm stance against hate and ensure that our educators' unions reflect the values of equality and justice for all San Franciscans.