Governor Baker,

We were excited to see that the House passed Bill 4509, *An Act to establish pay equity*, unanimously on Thursday. On behalf of the MIT Graduate Student Council, I write to you today to urge you to **sign this legislation into law** when it arrives at your desk.

As representatives of the graduate student community, which has students who are and will become both employees and employers in Massachusetts, we feel this bill strikes a fair balance between the needs of both groups. The abundance of data which details the discrepancies between the pay of men and women shows that clarification of existing laws, avenues of recourse, and the protection of and benefits to businesses which are working to alleviate those discrepancies are desperately needed.

We appreciate your work on behalf of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Let us know if you have any questions about our position on this bill or about life and work at MIT.

Best regards,

Brittany Huhmann
State Affairs Chair
MIT Graduate Student Council