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A Community and Technical College

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Dear Mr. Shibley:

President Litecky has asked that I respond to your letter of February 16, 2006. Unfortunately, it appears that recent events at Century College have served as a convenient platform for those who seek to amplify particular messages, and that your organization has received misinformation about those events.

First, it should be understood that Century College is strongly committed to protecting all of the rights of members of its community, including their First Amendment rights. Your letter assumes certain facts that simply are incorrect. For example, your letter asserts that

“... administrators have justified the ...”

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Finally, we appreciate your exhortations concerning colleges serving as marketplaces of