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September 8, 1975

To: Richard Salone, Academic Senate

From: Ralph Smith, Chairperson, Faculty Affairs Committee

Subject: Concerns regarding a letter sent to faculty on July 25 by the Secretary of the University's Office about payment of parking fines

The Faculty Affairs Committee discussed your concerns about the propriety of a letter sent to faculty members who were delinquent in parking fine payment implying among other alternatives that contracts could be withheld until the fines were paid. As committee chairperson, I have had two discussions with Leo Eastman who composed the letter.

He indicated it had been prompted by a stern reminder from state auditors about delinquent accounts. In fact, a copy of the letter was recently submitted to the auditors as an example of University action. He further indicated that the letter had resulted not only in reducing the number of delinquent payees, but in emphasizing difficult parking situations which have received attention. For example, special loading areas have been designated at certain buildings so faculty can take care of necessary business without being ticketed.

He agreed that contracts could not be withheld, and he also agreed to have listed in the next parking brochure the specific extreme penalties which the University could take to collect back fines.

I hope these discussions will obviate the need for such scare tactics as were recently used.

RS:pl