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From: Wayne Clough <wayne.clough@gatech.edu>
Subject: Fwd: Barbell Eviction

Name may be coincident or nom de plume. I don't think a response for now is needed. Lets wait to see how many of these we get. I would suggest that Mike respond when, and if, the time comes. Lets all forward these to each other to see how the flow goes.

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Date: Tue, 3 May 2005 12:18:37 -0400
From: Bob Thompson <gte945v@mail.gatech.edu>
To: G Wayne Clough <wayne.clough@carnegie.gatech.edu>
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President Clough,

I wanted to let you know, as a graduate student and member of the Georgia Tech community, how disappointed I am that the administration of this school has decided to put the needs of one varsity sports team above those of the largest student organization on campus, the Barbell Club, which will effectively cease to exist as a result of their eviction. In a country where obesity-related illnesses are on the rise, I would think that Georgia Tech would be proud to have an organization such as Barbell Club promoting personal fitness on its campus. As I am sure you are aware, the students that comprise the Barbell Club do not consider the CRC to be an acceptable substitute for their valuable organization.

I am also displeased that this eviction notification took place during finals week. I suspect that the decision to evict the club during finals week was made to mitigate the negative publicity such a move would ultimately generate. Decisions that affect so many students on campus so negatively should be made with the input of the community in mind, and with the opportunity for public debate. Now that most students are concerned with finals or have already left campus, open and public debate of this unpopular decision will not be possible.

It is regrettable that the administration of the school that has been my home for the last five years would make a decision such as this one that is not in

the best interests of a majority of the campus community. An administration that listens to its students and represents their interests is truly a prerequisite to making Georgia Tech a world-class institution.

Sincerely,
Bob Thompson

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