The following statement is from CA Assemblymember Mark Stone:

"I recently met with some of the UCSC Graduate Students who are trying to get their issues heard and addressed by the administration. It is clear that the poor pay for graduate students is a system wide issue and that similar actions may well be taken up on other campuses. It is past time that campuses and the UC Office of the President take their concerns seriously and bring representatives of the graduate students to the table to see how the issue can be worked out in a way that benefits these students and recognizes the critical role that they play in our higher educational systems."