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Dear Nicolás Posse, Chief of the Cabinet of Ministers,

On behalf of the American Mathematical Society (AMS) and its more than 26,000 members, I write to share our grave concern that actions of the Argentine government have not only brought your nation's prestigious science and technology system to a standstill but will damage it for decades to come.

Ending research underway, halting previously-committed funding for projects, freezing salaries, failing to recognize permanent positions, dismissing staff, and stopping doctoral fellowships and promotions will undermine Argentina's economy during a period when national inflation is above 200 percent. These recent actions threaten your country's global reputation and harm your ability to compete and collaborate on a global stage.

Government funding and support is vital to ensure that the transformative potential of Argentina's research and development capabilities can enrich and improve the lives of people in Argentina and around the world. Research, development and innovation are essential drivers of long-run economic growth and prosperity. The high regard that the international community has for mathematical research in Argentina is evident in its selection of Argentina as host of the 2021 Mathematical Congress of the Americas.

The AMS supports the Argentinian scientific community, and asks, in these challenging times, that you listen to and work with your nation's research community to restore and support Argentina's science and technology system.

It is in the best interest of Argentina and the world that you allow your talented scientists and technologists to thrive and to keep up their good work making important scientific advances.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bryna Kra', written in a cursive style.

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