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Dear Chancellor Meehan:

As a *professor emeritus*, a former Chairman of the University Faculty, and a lifelong activist for civil rights, I was appalled to read the enclosed article by Professor Charles Ormsby in which he uses an egregiously racist epithet: "tarbaby entitlement".

At the least, Professor Ormsby should have his association with UMassLowell removed from his monthly right-wing rant in the *Village Patriot*. I would also expect that an apology for "tarbaby entitlement" would be obligatory.

That an individual with fanatically extremist views is teaching UMass students is not a reassuring thought. Personally, I find his monthly diatribe both intellectually bankrupt and morally contemptible.

Sincerely,

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CC: Professor Ormsby

Governor Deval Patrick

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