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President Richard W. Lyman of Stanford Thursday night, March 11, pledged that the Santa Clara County court order granted this week "will not be used by the University in a manner that would interfere with lawful, nondisruptive political activity."

"An injunction is not a remedy that should be lightly sought, lightly granted, or frivolously or maliciously used," he said in a statement broadcast over campus radio station KZSU.

President Lyman said the University sought the injunction only as a reaction to "violent and coercive forms of disruption" and in the face of "imminent danger" such acts would continue.

"The principles for which the University has always stood and the practices to which it has always been hospitable are in no way threatened by this new injunction," he said.

"On the contrary, the free expression of ideas and the conduct of peaceful political activity that does not interfere with the rights of others will be more strongly protected against the acts of those who claim that their personal vision of the revealed truth justifies any behavior they deem expedient." —30—

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About 90 undergraduates in three English courses at Stanford have petitioned President Richard W. Lyman to rescind his suspension of Associate Prof. H. Bruce Franklin.

Professor Franklin was suspended with pay by President Lyman Feb. 12 and warned he faced possible dismissal from the University for having "urged, incited, and led" students and others to interfere with normal University activity in an unlawful manner. A preliminary injunction issued this week bars him from campus until his suspension ends, except to appear in campus judicial cases or gather evidence on campus, by court order or agreement with the president.

Professor Franklin said Thursday "the purpose of banning me from the campus is to establish a right-of-way for a new kind of Stanford railroad." He also charged the injunction "makes it very easy for the [Stanford] News Service and all the other things available to the Administration to totally prejudice the Advisory Board," a group of seven full professors who may hear his case.

In their petition, the students charged that suspending a professor without a hearing is "an unnecessary and dangerous act which sets an equally dangerous precedent.

"The Administration's attempt, through the use of injunctions and suspension, to strike at those most actively critical of the University's role in the war represents a far greater danger than the particular individuals or organizations involved."

The petition was circulated to the three classes by students Dave Iverson and Gary Greenfield. It notes that President Lyman's charges against Professor Franklin include "no statement of an alleged connection between [his] classroom activities and disruptions which have occurred on campus." The suspension and injunction "prevent [him] from fulfilling his teaching obligations and . . . prejudice his case if and when the Advisory Board hearing is held," the petition maintains.