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Steve Drost
President
Canadian Union of Public Employees – New Brunswick

Dear Brother Drost,

I am writing on behalf of the 30,000 Canadian members of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, Moving Picture Technicians, Artists and Allied Crafts of the United States, its Territories and Canada (IATSE) to offer this message of solidarity in your fight to improve the lives and working conditions of your more than 22,000 front line members currently on strike across the province of New Brunswick.

We know that CUPE members in New Brunswick are the lowest paid public sector workers in Canada, and that they've not seen real wage increases in over a decade. We also know that these members provide the highest quality services to the people of New Brunswick. Despite the crucial role your members play in bettering the lives of every New Brunswicker, Premier Higgs continues to show his lack of support for public sector workers - all while the province is reporting significant surpluses.

As a union who recently received an overwhelming strike mandate for our members in Hollywood, we know the decision by workers to go on strike is not one that is made lightly. We commend the bravery of your members for their commitment and willingness to fight for fair wages and better working conditions!

In Solidarity,

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