



**December 2024**

**Dear Central Region Union Family,**

**As we move through the holiday season and ring in a new year, I want to take a moment to reflect on all that we have achieved together and the challenges that lie ahead. This season is a time for family, rest, and recharging our spirits, but it's also a time to reaffirm our commitment to the values that unite us: solidarity, fairness, and the fight for workers' rights.**

**From the anti-union forces that seek to undermine our progress, to potential changes at the federal level that could erode our hard-earned protections, we know that the fight is far from over. But make no mistake – we will not stand down. We will continue to stand strong, side by side, defending our rights, our benefits, and the dignity of our work.**

**As we continue to navigate the challenges we face, it's important to emphasize the critical importance of unity and active participation, especially when it comes to attending our upcoming region and executive board meetings.**

**Our strength as a union lies not only in the work we do on the ground but also in the collective decisions we make in spaces where our voices are heard, and our strategies are shaped. These meetings are where we set the course for our collective future, where we address pressing issues and sharpen our minds as union officers, while making sure the needs of our members remain at the forefront of everything we do.**

**It's crucial for us to be present, engaged, and contributing at these meetings. Your participation is not just encouraged – it is expected. If you can't attend, please work to make sure another officer or representative can take your place. If you have questions about who should and can attend, please ask me or another region officer.**

**When one of us is absent, it's a missed opportunity for your local. Our power comes from the strength of our collective actions. I ask our local and unit leaders to prioritize these meetings, to ensure that your voices are heard alongside mine and the voices of every local president in this room.**

**As always, I will continue to work diligently to make our region and our union bigger, better, and bolder, by making sure there is a place for all members.**

**In Solidarity,**

**Kenny Greenleaf,  
Central Region President**

