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TEAMSTERS LOCAL 879 STATEMENT ON THE COVID 19 (CORONAVIRUS) PANDEMIC

Sisters and Brothers, as our Country responds to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus), we must ensure that working people are able to perform their jobs in a safe working environment and that sick leave is available to all workers who need it. Without adequate sick leave, workers will be forced to continue working in order to provide food and housing for their families, thus potentially exposing others to the virus.

Effective March 16, 2020, the Stoney Creek, London and Windsor Offices of Local 879 will been closed to the general public, however, will remain open to staff in order to conduct the day to day operations of the Local Union. To protect the health and welfare of the office staff, the business representatives are required to work remotely from home in order to provide the social distancing as prescribed under the Government of Canada Guidelines. Please contact your specific local union office with any workplace related questions or concerns you may have and be assured that your Local Union is monitoring the ongoing situation and is committed to continually providing our usual high level of representation throughout this crisis.

Following the guidelines set forth by the International Union, Local 879 has cancelled the monthly membership meeting set for March 22, 2020 in the Stoney Creek Office and will assess future monthly meetings on a one-off basis until this crisis is resolved. Please refer to the Local Union's new website at www.teamsters879.ca for updates on future meetings as well as an overview of what business your local union was involved in for that month.

There may possibly be a large number of members affected through layoffs related to workplace closures so to ensure dues are not deducted while you are off I would encourage everyone to please apply for a withdrawal card if you expect to be off work for any extended period of time. This can easily be done by calling your area local union office or by visiting our new website and filling the form out online.



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Tel: 519-944-9880 Fax: 519-944-5735 I want to recognise the amazing work that we, as Teamster members, are doing to assist our fellow citizens in this time of crisis and we must continue to do everything to protect all workers and their families in the coming weeks and months, and that every attempt will be made to continue to update everyone on this situation.

Fraternally,

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