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To: All U.S. Affiliates

Dear Teamster Brothers and Sisters:

So many hard-working Americans are struggling to support themselves and their families. It cannot be ignored that the rising cost of housing, health care, education and a number of other factors have taken their toll on working families.

Teamsters do much for working families, however, there is still much left to do—including lending our support to outside charitable causes. While America's union movement mobilizes for change in 2009, we must also work to help those left behind.

The United Way is a long-time partner of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters in helping working families. For years, this partnership has truly made a difference. Our Union is not only helping those who need it through the United Way, but with the United Way we are able to share a goal of long-term solutions to social service needs.

On behalf of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, we proudly endorse the 2009 United Way Campaign and urge you to support this important effort. With Local Unions, Joint Councils, officers and members contributing as generously as they have in the past, we can continue to contribute to our communities, our country and our future.

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