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Attn: Interested Parties

To Whom it May Concern:

In light of yesterday's article, we find it necessary that we speak out. Our Executive Vice President, Tefere Gebre, is a person of decency and honor who represents the values that we all share as part of the labor movement.

While the members of OPEIU are in ongoing negotiations over their collective bargaining agreement, there is no connection between those negotiations and the accusations raised against our Executive Vice President.

These accusations seem to be nothing more than an internal dispute that neither of our units are involved in. Executive Vice President Gebre has always treated us with respect and dignity and we look forward to working with him for the betterment of all workers in the future.

In solidarity,

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