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Dear Senator:

On behalf of more than 3,200 members of the IAM Union (International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers) District 837 currently on strike at Boeing Defense Manufacturing facilities in St. Louis and St. Charles, Missouri and Mascoutah, Illinois; I write to respectfully request your assistance in preserving the integrity and future of the highly skilled workforce at Boeing Defense.

These proud aerospace manufacturing workers recently voted to reject Boeing's substandard contract offer and withhold their labor. They do not take lightly the decision to stand up for what they deserve and take collective action. The company has left these men and women no other choice. **We ask that you stand with these workers to urge the Boeing Company to return to the bargaining table to negotiate a good faith agreement commensurate with the skills and dedication of this workforce.**

For generations, IAM Union members at Boeing Defense have worked tirelessly to produce the finest planes and other defense equipment the world has ever seen. Our members have made innumerable sacrifices over the years building fighter jets and other military equipment which ensure the safety and success of our men and women in uniform.

Our members at Boeing Defense in Missouri and Illinois are disappointed and frustrated with the company's recent contract proposals forcing them to overwhelmingly vote to reject the proposal and go on strike. Throughout these negotiations, the union has presented the company with a number of viable solutions to adequately meet our members' needs. Our members rightly believe the compensation package offered by the company is not adequate given the recent economic trends of high inflation and skyrocketing demand for highly skilled aerospace workers.

It is our strong belief that our members at Boeing Defense deserve better. The IAM Union is ready and willing to return to the bargaining table to negotiate an adequate contract that will ensure the necessary skilled workforce is available to continue to build the world's greatest planes and military equipment.

We respectfully ask you to join us in supporting this vitally important, highly skilled workforce. We ask you to urge the Boeing Company to promptly return to the bargaining table with new ideas and proposals in order to seek a fair and equitable settlement to this disagreement.

Please contact IAM National Legislative and Political Director Hasan Solomon at (202) 420-4902 or hsolomon@iamaw.org to schedule a meeting with our team to discuss how we can work together to support these workers.

Thank you, and we look forward to working with you on this vitally important issue.

Sincerely,

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