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To: Mike Harcourt, Vancouver City, Mayor  
Stella Jo Dean, City of North Vancouver, Alderwoman  
Helen Boyce, Vancouver City Council, Alderwoman  
Jack Ball, District of North Vancouver Council  
Don Bell, Mayor, District of North Vancouver.

I am writing this letter on behalf of the Association of University and College Employees, a union which represents 2700 clerical and technical employees at post-secondary educational institutions throughout British Columbia.

The Provincial Executive of A.U.C.E. recently passed a motion in support of the just contract demands of members of C.U.P.E. Local 389, striking employees of the City of North Vancouver. Only if the City returns to the bargaining table prepared to negotiate in good faith a fair contract based on the principle of equal pay for work of equal value, will the strike be brought to a speedy resolution. We urge you, as a member of Council, to support the City workers in their determination to end traditional and discriminatory wage disparity between women and men.

We have informed our locals of the issues at stake and urged them, in turn, to place their support firmly behind the striking C.U.P.E. workers.

Sincerely,

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Secretary-Treasurer  
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