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The Honorable Senator Marco Rubio  
7400 SW 87<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 270  
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Dear Senator Rubio,

The Labor Movement has always advocated for policies to allow working people to support their family. We have played a critical role in building a 21st century family-friendly workplace. Considering the COVID-19 Pandemic Congress has passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) to provide fast and direct economic assistance for American workers, families, and small businesses, and preserve jobs for our American industries.

Currently labor unions, as a result of our 501(c)(5) designation, are ineligible to qualify for the Paycheck Protection Program. This is a serious oversight and labor unions will need to play an integral part in the rebuilding of our economy.


We, the undersigned unions and our members call on you to advocate for the desperate inclusion of labor unions into any future relief packages in order to meet eligibility relief from the Cares act Paycheck Protection Program. Thank you for your consideration.

In Solidarity,



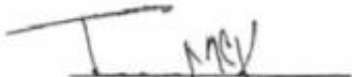
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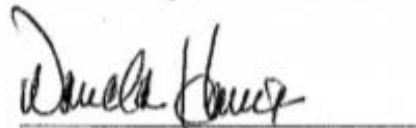
  
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