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**TO ALL INTERNATIONAL STAFF, LOCAL LODGES, DISTRICTS, AND COUNCILS
IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA**

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

In advance of the upcoming International Convention, please be advised that it is a violation of U. S. federal law for any union, such as the International Brotherhood, Local Lodges, Districts, and Councils, to contribute its money, goods, or services to the campaign of any candidate in a union election, including elections at the upcoming International Convention. In other words, a union's funds and property may not be contributed or applied to promote the candidacy of any person in a union election.

By way of example, it is likely impermissible to use union materials (such as union stationery) and union office equipment (such as copiers, computers, and phones) to promote a candidate. Campaigning while on official union business (time paid for by the union) is also likely impermissible. These examples are provided solely for guidance. There are other circumstances beyond such examples that could be an impermissible use of union funds and property.

The International Brotherhood appreciates your strict compliance with the information contained in this letter. For more information, Industrial Sector local lodges are directed to contact Executive Director-ISO Tyler Brown and Construction Sector local lodges are directed to contact Executive Director-CSO Mark Vandiver.

Trusting you will be guided accordingly, I am

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

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