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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

On behalf of the 250,000 union men and women in Wisconsin, we would like to express solidarity to the Public Services Federation of Confederazione Generale del Lavoro, and to the CGIL as a whole, during your General Strike in Italy which began on September 6. An honest day's pay for an honest day's work and worker protections are under assault across the globe. We stand with you in this fight and support your struggle for the workers of Italy.

The people of Italy and the European Union are living through a financial and economic crisis they did not create. Austerity measures that are being promoted by national governments have failed and have resulted in slow growth and a wider deficit. We cannot pay for this crisis through lower wages, worse working conditions, job loss and devastating cuts to public services.

In our globalized economy, this is not a local or national struggle, but rather a fight for working people everywhere. We hope that you are successful in your actions -- it is a battle the union families of Wisconsin are proud to join you in waging.

In Solidarity,

Phillip L. Neuenfeldt, President

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