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RE: Condemnation of insurrection events

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As the United States reels from the insurrection events that took place at the U.S. Capitol Building and grounds in an attempt to undermine our nations sacred democracy, I want to make it abundantly clear that the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers does not in any way condone or endorse those activities or the people who committed the horrendous acts of trespassing, vandalism, violence, bloodshed and overall assault on our democracy.

The International Brotherhood of Boilermakers condemns in the strongest possible terms those acts of desecration and violence and the individuals and groups who committed them.

Further, we call for an immediate end to any attempts to motivate violence or otherwise disrupt the peaceful constitutional transfer of power, and we call upon our members, our partners and our elected officials at all levels to work cooperatively to restore order for the sake of our democracy.

Let it also be known that the Boilermakers union is joining with the North America's Building Trades Union in their announcement this morning offering a \$100,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of a person or persons responsible for the murder of United States Capitol Police Officer Brian D. Sicknick.

Finally, it was brought to my attention that an image was captured of a person who was wearing a jacket bearing the Boilermaker insignia and appears to have been tampering with the tires of a vehicle during Wednesday's events. Be very clear that the Boilermakers union does not condone this person's behavior and will not tolerate acts of criminality. We will do all we can to identify this person and bring him to the authorities for justice to be served.

Understand this clearly and be guided accordingly. I am

In solidarity and fraternally yours,

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