

## TEAMSTERS LOCAL 727

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UIC GEO Co-Presidents Anne Kirkner & Jeff Schuhrke 815 W. Van Buren, Suite 203 Chicago, IL 60607

Dear President Kirkner & President Schuhrke:

On behalf of the members of Teamsters Local 727, I would like to express our full support of the teaching assistants and graduate assistants of the UIC Graduate Employees Organization who are currently fighting for a fair collective bargaining agreement with livable wages, a transparent appointment process, and relief from costly academic fees.

Local 727 members understand firsthand the importance of standing united while fighting for respect and fair treatment. Just this past summer, more than 150 of our members won a forty-day Unfair Labor Practice strike against a local Keurig Dr Pepper subsidiary because our Union solidarity never wavered.

The support of fellow union workers, local communities, and elected representatives went a long way in raising morale and adding strengthen to the voices of our striking members.

We are proud to extend our support and stand in solidarity with our UIC GEO Brothers & Sisters.

In solidarity,

John Coli, Jr.

Secretary-Treasurer Teamsters Local 727

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