



B.C. Federation of Retired Union Members

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Dear Brother Butler,

On behalf of the members of the BC Federation of Retired Union Members, I am writing to convey our solidarity to the members of USW Local 1-1937 at Western Forest Products who are currently on strike for a fair collective agreement in the face of deplorable employer concessions.

As retired union members, we understand firsthand the importance of defending the gains that have been made at the bargaining table over years of fighting. Everything we enjoy as union members have been fought for and bargained for – none of it was ever gifted to workers by employers.

That's why the fight by Steelworkers at Western Forest Products is so important to all of us. You're not just fighting for yourselves, you're fighting for families, communities and all workers.

Everything the labour movement has achieved has been through the solidarity and unity of all workers. Just as other workers have stood by us in challenging, we stand with you now in your fight for fairness, dignity and respect.

With the greatest solidarity,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gene Skovd".

President
BC Federation of Union Retirees
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cc: Steve Hunt – Director USW District 3
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