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 Labor Day and Updates from NTEU National Convention

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Dear NTEU Chapter 282,

I hope you are all looking forward to a wonderful Labor Day weekend, as we come together to celebrate and reflect on the true meaning and significance of this special day. Labor Day is more than just a day off work; it is a tribute to the hard work, dedication, and achievements of working people like us who have shaped our nation and continue to drive progress.

As we take this time to honor the contributions of workers across the country, let us also remember the importance of our own union and the power we hold when we stand together in solidarity. It is through our unity and collective action that we can make a real difference in our workplaces and in the lives of our fellow members.

I wanted to take a moment to share some highlights from the recent NTEU National Convention, held in Detroit, MI, which I had the privilege of attending on behalf of our chapter. At the convention, a new NTEU National President was elected, and I am pleased to announce that Doreen Greenwald, who has served as our immediate past National Executive Vice President, will now lead our union at the national level. Alongside Doreen, Anand Muni was elected as the National Executive Vice President, bringing fresh perspectives and ideas to our national leadership team.

During the convention, I had the opportunity to discuss some of our chapter's concerns with both Doreen and Anand. We addressed issues such as the reorganization of the Human Foods Program, continued remote work denials primarily at CDER and CBER, and troubling trends in CURES hiring that our union has been observing. Rest assured that NTEU Chapter 282's voice is being heard at the highest level, and we are actively working towards resolving the matters identified above.

In other news, Florence Cannon was re-elected as the District 11 National Vice President, representing HHS union chapters on the NTEU National Executive Board. As District Vice President, Florence will contribute to discussions and vote on matters related to union policy and issues brought before the national offices of NTEU by HHS union chapters including NTEU282.

I would also like to share with you that the amendment I drafted to the NTEU National Constitution and Bylaws, aimed at adding checks and balances to union elections to ensure they are never delayed, passed overwhelmingly. This amendment will soon be implemented nationwide throughout our union, reinforcing the democratic principles that guide our decision-making processes. You can review the full text of the amendment here: proposed-bylaw-amendments (nteu.org).

The next NTEU National Convention will be held in 2025 in Atlantic City, NJ.

Remember, if you ever have any questions or need assistance with any union-related matters, please don't hesitate to reach out to me, Helen Robinson, or any of our dedicated union stewards or officers. We are here to support you and ensure that your rights are protected.

I wish you all a joyful and fulfilling Labor Day holiday. Let us celebrate not only the achievements of the labor movement but also our own accomplishments as members of Chapter 282. Together, we can continue to make a positive impact and shape a better future for ourselves and our fellow workers.

In Solidarity, Anthony



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