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Mr. Larry Cohen, President
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Dear Brother Cohen:

Following United Way Worldwide President Brian Gallagher's appearance at our Executive Council meeting, we want to recirculate our endorsement of United Way Worldwide's upcoming workplace campaign and ask for your endorsement as well. As you know the AFL-CIO and the United Way have a long-standing partnership that really has never been more important than it is right now.

Through the AFL-CIO Community Services Liaison Network, the United Way and the AFL-CIO have been there to assist our brothers and sisters impacted by disaster, both natural and manmade; we're there to help with Rapid Response and ensure our members have the resources they need when they fall on hard times; and our liaisons are on the ground in communities across the country working with our members and developing new partnerships and allies.

All of this is made possible through donations from our members to the United Way. Because of all of this, once again we ask that you endorse the 2011 United Way workplace campaign and encourage your members to participate. I have enclosed our endorsement letter, and a sample that you might use or tailor to your own needs. Please send a copy of your endorsement letter to Will Fischer (wfischer@aflcio.org) in our office as well. Thank you again for your leadership and service in building a stronger labor movement.

Sincerely,

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