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## **SEIU Local 73: We Are Not Defeated**

*Workers Determine to Fight Back Against MAGA Attacks on Workers and Democracy*

**Chicago, IL** – Members of SEIU Local 73 stand firm and united in the face of a divisive and tumultuous outcome. Determined to confront bigotry and resist attempts to sow division, they reaffirm their commitment to building a fair and just future for working families.

"Despite the challenges we faced in the recent election, we are far from defeated," **said SEIU Local 73 President Dian Palmer**. "This setback only fuels our resolve. We've come too far to let one election knock us off course. Our fight for a voice on the job in an economy that works for all of us isn't over—it's just beginning, and we're more fired up than ever to keep pushing forward."

Members from SEIU Local 73, representing more than 35,000 public service workers throughout Illinois and Northwest Indiana, are at the forefront of the fight for Unions for All for the millions of hard-working families who deserve a voice on the job. SEIU Local 73 remains steadfast, committed to ensuring that those written out are not forgotten and placed at the center of our ongoing fight for a healthy, thriving future for the communities we serve.

"Our mission for economic justice and Unions for All remains unwavering. We've seen the lengths to which the MAGA movement will go to roll back our progress, but we are united and ready to stand firm. They won't divide us or silence our demand for a just and equitable America," **resolved Palmer**. "This unity makes us all part of a larger movement for change."

SEIU's work in this election was monumental. It reached over 7 million voters in eight battleground states, with outreach in 12 languages to reflect our nation's rich diversity. In the final days, SEIU members knocked over a million doors and made 4.8 million phone calls, proving that we are a force to be reckoned with.

SEIU members are calling for structural change to fix our broken democracy because Trump and the billionaires he represents know how to game the system. They use their

money and influence to spread misinformation and sow chaos, rely on racist voter suppression, restrictive voter ID laws, limited polling locations, and partisan purges of voting rolls. They gerrymander the maps, they attack our democratic institutions, and they lie to the American people to maintain power.

"This is not the end but the beginning of a stronger movement," **added Palmer.** "The billionaires and corporate CEOs backing the MAGA agenda may try to manipulate the system with voter suppression, gerrymandering, and lies. But we are united in pursuing a future filled with economic justice and racial equality."

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*SEIU Local 73 represents more than 35,000 workers, primarily in public service and publicly funded positions in school districts, municipalities, social service agencies, and many other job classifications in Illinois and Indiana. We are dedicated to improving the lives of workers and their families.*