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Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Re: April 28th – National Day of Mourning

On Wednesday, April 28th, 2021 individuals and organizations, in Canada and the world over, in large cities and in smaller communities, will mourn the loss of life and injury to workers due to workplace accidents.

Please ensure that this important date is reinforced to all those at your workplace. In addition, the conveying of all information pertaining to the April 28th National Day of Mourning for Workers Killed or Injured on the Job to your co-workers and others will ensure respect for those workers who have lost their lives or suffered injury while at work.

A Memorial Service will be held for workers killed or injured on the job commencing at **12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 28th**. We are encouraging everyone to participate in this approximate one-hour virtual ceremony.

Perhaps you may also want to share the name of a co-worker who has suffered a workplace injury or the name of a co-workers' family who has experienced the loss of a loved one due to a workplace fatality with us. We approach this with care and an understanding.

If your Local wishes to lay a virtual rose in memory of your members or co-workers, please advise us prior to April 16th to ensure that your name and/or Local union appears as a part of the virtual Ceremony.

We must continue with our long-standing approach to “Fight for the Living” on matters pertaining to Health and Safety. A part of that process is to ensure that the “Day of Mourning” is observed at all workplaces and that participation by workers at Ceremonies continues to grow.

Our theme this year is “**The Human Cost of COVID-19**”.

If you have any questions, require further information, or wish to lay a virtual rose please contact the Labour Council at 613-233-7820 or email jennifer@ottawalabour.org.

In solidarity,

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Chair, OLC Health & Safety and Environment Committee

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