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MEMORANDUM

TO: Presidents of National and International Unions
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FROM: Richard L. Trumka 

DATE: July 12, 2011

RE: 2011 National AFL-CIO United Way Endorsement

Over the past three years, we've all seen how interconnected we are. When people are unemployed and more families are financially unstable, the impact is felt throughout the community and even throughout a region as money tightens up everywhere. Those who depend on human services often will have our own brothers and sisters amongst their ranks.

For more than six decades, the AFL-CIO has taken great pride in its partnership with United Way. Even in times of economic distress, our people have joined forces with others to advance the common good and to enable people with opportunities to have full lives. As a result, we are making great strides in reaching our shared goals to improve education, health and financial stability, the building blocks for a good quality of life.

Whether or not I know a child on the other side of town, it matters to me whether that child grows up to be a contributing member of the community. We all have a stake in that and a responsibility to do our part. Please join me in supporting the 2011 United Way campaign. By doing so, you are helping create opportunities for a good life for all.

Give. Advocate. Volunteer. That's what it means to LIVE UNITED.

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