Dear AFT Michigan Local Leaders:

The AFT Michigan 78th Convention is scheduled to be held **May 4, 2024,** at the Huntington Place (formerly the TCF Center) in downtown Detroit. Your local's number of delegates is based on per capita dues paid to AFT Michigan from January through December 2023. To be seated at the Convention, locals must be in good standing at the date of the Convention. Good standing requires:

- Being paid up on per capita dues through February 2024, and
- Ensuring your current Constitution, list of officers, and financial review or audit is on file with AFT Michigan.

We particularly want to emphasize the state and national constitutional requirement that locals have their current <u>financial review or audit</u> on file to be in good standing. Well beyond Convention, this process is crucial to local health and accountability to members. If your local's fiscal year ends in December, you need to submit an audit/review covering the period January-December 2022 to be current for our Convention (but you will need to complete your 2023 review for the national Convention). If your local's fiscal year ends in June or August, you need to submit an audit/review covering the period through that month in 2023.

Your local's fiscal year	AFT Michigan Convention (May 2024) Requires Review/Audit	AFT National Convention (July 2024) Requires Review/Audit
January-December	Through December 2022	Through December 2023
July-June	Through June 2023	Through June 2023
September-August	Through August 2023	Through August 2023

We have a Financial Review workshop scheduled for January 20, 2023, where your review team can complete the process and in the meantime you can direct any questions to Rickia Robertson at rrobertson@aftmichigan.org.

Please click this link to visit the AFT Michigan Leadership Portal and make sure the list of leaders we have on file for your local is up to date and we have the relevant documents on file (including dates covered). Please contact Dan Kukuk at dkukuk@aftmichigan.org if you have any questions about accessing the Leadership Portal.

The Convention Call will be sent out on or before March 5, 2024. Please try to be paid through December 2023 by the end of February 2024. Locals with per capita dues **paid through December 2023**, will receive a complete Convention packet which will include the local's delegate and membership strength, list of deadline dates, credential and committee forms. Locals with per capita dues not yet paid through December 2023, will only receive the Convention Call, your local's estimated delegate strength, number

of months in arrears and a list of deadline dates. Any questions regarding your per capita dues may be addressed to Rickia Robertson at rrobertson@aftmichigan.org.

April 12, 2024 is a big day to mark on your calendar. We urge locals to fully participate in the Convention by assigning delegates to Convention Committees and submitting <u>resolutions</u>. If your local has an issue it feels strongly about, you are invited to submit a resolution or constitutional amendment you would like the convention delegates to consider. If you would like assistance preparing your resolution, please reach out to Dave Dobbie at <u>ddobbie@aftmichigan.org</u> (or any of our staff). Locals in good standing have the opportunity to participate on convention committees: Constitution, Credentials, Human Rights, Legislation & Resolutions, and Nominations & Elections. The deadline for locals to submit resolutions and nominate delegates to serve on committees is April 12, 2024.

At the convention, we will also elect AFT Michigan leadership and decide the direction AFT Michigan will take for the next two years. The deadline for officer nominations will be **April 26, 2024**.

In solidarity,

Terrence Martin & Kirsten Herold