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From: Teresa Mosqueda
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To: Teresa Mosqueda
Cc: Jeff Johnson; Lynne Dodson
Subject: A bitter sweet last day at WSLC

Dear Labor and Community Partners,

It's bitter sweet to say that today is my last day at the Washington State Labor Council, AFL-CIO. I have had the incredible honor to work with you in my role with the Labor Movement for almost 7 years! It is hard to believe that this transition is happening so quickly, but I remind myself every day that I am not leaving the movement, you are all coming with me to the halls of Seattle City Council.

In my years at the Labor Council, together, we have fought for the health of working families, demanded access to paid uninterrupted breaks, protections for farmworkers from pesticide exposure and against deportations. We've stood up to end wage theft and intimidation, we called out the wage gap between men and women, fought against human trafficking, and after years of work the leg team passed paid family leave! We won on Medicaid expansion, the minimum wage, and paid sick/safe leave. We trained progressive candidates to run for office and we've elected new champions at the local to the state level for unions and working families across Washington!

We did this by working together - on the Healthy WA Coalition, Farmworker Coalition, Anti-Wage Theft Coalition, Health Care is a Human Right Coalition, Exchange Board, Shared Prosperity Coalition, United Labor Lobby, Political Committee, Path to Power and many more coalitions and programs. That incredible work continues with the tremendous team at the Washington State Labor Council through April, Joe, Eric, Dave, Dulce, Secretary Treasure Lynne Dodson, and the entire WSLC crew. My heart is full thinking of all the incredible work they will continue to do.

My motivation and dedication to the movement was fueled by the experience of working with you all, and especially with President Jeff Johnson who reminded us always of the MLK quote: "The arc of the moral universe is long, but it bends toward justice." Thank you for allowing me to absorb your knowledge, observe from your patient approach, and learn that we will win and we must keep fighting for justice. Thank you for your leadership at the WSLC, Jeff and Lynne.

I won't be far - just down the street. I will be there with you all on the strike lines, in the rallies, and in city hall fighting for our community and working families. I will continue to receive emails at the campaign email Teresa@TeamTeresa.org until the city account is set up. Thank you for all your work and partnership over the years, and for making this win for Seattle City Council possible.

In Solidarity, always.

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