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March 1, 2024

To: All Local Union Presidents, Recording Secretaries, Financial Secretaries, Veterans' Committee Executive Board Members and Chairpersons – Region 4 UAW

Greetings Brothers and Sisters:

A Region 4 UAW Veterans' Spring Conference is called for May 16-19, 2024, at the Pat Greathouse Education Center, 1000 East Center Street, Ottawa, Illinois. On Thursday, May 16th, the following meetings will be held:

10:00 a.m. – Illinois Board Meeting 12:30 p.m. – Region 4 Veterans' Council Executive Board Meeting 2:00 p.m. - All State Boards Meeting

*Wednesday, May 15th will be a travel day only for members of the veterans' state, and regional executive boards. The conference will convene on Friday, May 17, 2024, at 9 a.m.

Iowa has been selected for the Region 4 UAW Vets 2024 Fundraiser state. Please bring any donation checks to the conference and make payable to lowa Veterans' Project with Region 4 Vets Fundraiser in the memo line.

Chairpersons Note: Come prepared to give a report of your local's activities on the attached form. Please make a copy of your report to give to the Recording Secretary of the Veterans' Affairs Council Executive Board.

REGISTRATION: Registration for this conference will take place https://conference.uaw.org/region4/vsc.php. The username is 2024region4 and the password is registerVSC. Registration will open on March 4, 2024, and will close on May 1, 2024. At this time, the registration fee and PGC lodging cost (if applicable) will still need to be mailed to the Region 4 Office. Instructions on how to best use this system are listed below.

- 1. If you plan on lodging at the PGC, please call Tamara at 815-433-2500, Ext. 101 for a reservation/confirmation number first. If you will not be lodging at the PGC, proceed to
- 2. Register at https://conference.uaw.org/region4/vsc.php and enter your PGC lodging confirmation number (if applicable).
- 3. Mail applicable fees to the address listed below.

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Registration Fee: The cost is \$185.00 per delegate (which includes the cost of meals and materials). Please send fees to the following:

Region 4 UAW 900 E. Center Street Ottawa, IL 61350 Attn: Veterans' Conference

On-site registration will be held in the Education Center on Thursday, May 16, 2024, from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. and Friday, May 17, 2024, from 8 – 9 a.m.

The deadline that the registration and lodging (if applicable) fees must be received at the Regional Office is May 1, 2024. *Registration and applicable lodging are subject to cancelation beyond this date.

You must be a UAW member in good standing to register as a delegate. Non-UAW individuals must be registered as a delegate's guest.

<u>Meals:</u> The first meal will be breakfast on Friday morning and the last meal will be breakfast on Sunday morning. Any delegate bringing a guest must submit their name(s) on the registration form and pre-pay the guest meal fee of \$142.00 by May 1, 2024.

<u>Lodging:</u> Rooms at the Pat Greathouse Center are available at \$70.00 per room, per night. Each room has two (2) beds; we urge members to double-up, when feasible, to ensure that as many delegates possible can stay on the property. Please contact Tamara at 815-433-2500, ext. 101 to make room reservations for the Center.

If you get the office voicemail, please leave a message with your request and your email address for confirmation and/or follow-up.

You will be emailed a confirmation number once your reservation has been received. When making reservations, please indicate if the delegate(s) has special room requirements (PGC management will not change rooms during the check-in process).

*PGC Hotel check-in will begin on Wednesday, May 15, 2024, at 3 p.m. and will continue through Friday at 8:45 a.m. Check-out will be by 10 a.m. on Sunday, May 19, 2024.

It is imperative to fill the hotel rooms at the PGC, before seeking area lodging. However, in the event rooms at the PGC become sold out, we also have negotiated rates at the Comfort Inn (815-433-0029), Fairfield Inn (815-431-8955), the Super 8 Motel (815-434-2888), and the Quality Inn (815-433-9600). Ask for the UAW rate – All rates are subject to availability. I suggest avoiding the Ottawa Holiday Inn—it was built by anti-union contractors.

^{*}The Hampton Inn-Ottawa is temporarily closed for construction.

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Please Note: A copy of this call letter has been posted on the UAW Region 4 website at http://region4.uaw.org.

Additional questions should be directed to Ted Dever, our Region 4 Veterans' Affairs Coordinator, at 847-459-3888. We look forward to seeing you there.

Fraternally,

Brandon W. Campbell, Director

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cc: Lucas DeSpain, Assistant Director

Ted Dever, Veterans' Affairs Coordinator

All Region 4 Staff

ATTENTION FINANCIAL SECRETARIES

The LM2 for this conference is:

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