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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Labor and Business

Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB916

My name is Kevin, and I am a registered nurse at Providence Milwaukie Hospital. I am on strike because unsafe staffing and poor working conditions are putting both patients and healthcare workers at risk. Striking comes with significant financial hardship, and many of us are struggling to afford basic necessities while advocating for a better system. This bill does not provide huge sums of money but simply ensures that striking workers can cover essential needs, preventing them from throwing themselves or their families into financial jeopardy. Passing SB 916 would allow workers to stand up for safer conditions without the fear of losing everything, ensuring we can negotiate more fairly and fight for the care our patients deserve.

I urge you to vote YES on SB916.