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Freedom Fund: Detroit Kids Better Off after Detroit Federation of Teachers Answers Call to Fire Steve Conn

LANSING, MI, August 12, 2015 –The Michigan Freedom Fund today congratulated students in the Detroit Public Schools and their parents after Detroit Federation of Teachers President Steve Conn was removed from office and stripped of his union membership.

The Michigan Freedom Fund had repeatedly called for Conn's firing after the union President staged an illegal teacher strike that put an estimated 10,000 Detroit students on the street last April, in a selfish effort to flex his political muscle.

Said Terri Reid, President of the Michigan Freedom Fund: "The Michigan Freedom Fund repeatedly demanded that Steve Conn be fired because he regularly put union politics above the futures of Detroit Public School students. Stripping Conn of his union presidency and membership assures parents that this union bully will no longer be in a position to hurt their kids or shut down their schools."

Teacher strikes are illegal in Michigan. Teachers participating in illegal strikes are subject to disciplinary action, including fines and termination.

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