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RE: Open Letter on Behalf of SEIU-West

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I am honoured to write to you on behalf of more than 13,000 SEIU-West members who work in Saskatchewan. Our members work in health care, community based organizations, education, as well as private organizations and municipalities. These frontline workers face many challenges in their day-to-day lives and understand political decisions affect them both at work and in their communities.

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Firstly, COVID-19 has changed the way we gather and share information, so SEIU-West would like to invite you to an online Facebook Live event where members will tune in to ask their questions and will act as a platform for you to share your political party's priorities. Please let us know if you are available for this event no later than September 30, 2020.

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Secondly, SEIU-West members have identified key issues that matter to them and their communities. Below you will find several questions on each of these issues, and we invite your responses. These responses will then be shared amongst the membership to help inform their actions and choices for the upcoming election.

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1. Home care service allows people to access health care services without being in hospital or a long-term care home, but since 2014, home care services have been cut by 8% - what will your government do to ensure Saskatchewan's aging population has access to public home care services?
2. The spotlight has shone on health care during the COVID-19 pandemic, but understaffing remains in crisis – what will your government do to ensure residents, patients, and clients have effective staffing levels in order to provide quality health care? This questions applies to both long-term care and acute care.

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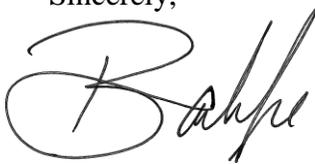
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3. Community based organizations (CBOs) provide programs and services to children, those struggling with addictions, people facing mental health challenges, people living with intellectual or physical disabilities, and much more. However, CBOs do not receive stable funding – this results in lower quality care, job insecurity, and low wages. What will your government do to ensure CBOs have stable multi-year funding?
4. COVID-19 has left many families and education workers concerned about the education plan – even before the pandemic, many were concerned about overcrowding in classrooms. What will you do to ensure reasonable class sizes and a safety plan for schools across the province?
5. Does your party have anything else it wishes to add that will benefit SEIU-West members and their communities?

I would like to thank you in advance for providing a fulsome reply to our questions, and hope to hear from you soon regarding our online event request. We will continue to monitor your party's platform so as to furnish added information as it is presented throughout the election period.

Sincerely,



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