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UFCW LOCAL 7 CELEBRATES PASSAGE OF PROPOSITION 118

The Measure Will Help End the “Work While Sick” Culture By Providing Coloradoans Up To 12 Weeks of Paid Family or Medical Leave.

DENVER -- The United Food and Commercial Workers Union (UFCW) Local 7, which represents more than 27,000 workers in Colorado and Wyoming, was a vocal supporter of Proposition 118, which grants up to 12 weeks of paid family and medical leave for millions of workers in Colorado.

Following its passage, UFCW Local 7 President Kim Cordova released the following statement:

“We are thrilled that last night Coloradoans overwhelmingly voted to guarantee paid family and medical leave to Colorado’s workers. The members of UFCW Local 7 know first-hand how important it is to be able to take care of your family members in need and not be forced to sacrifice your employment in the process. During this pandemic, we’ve seen countless members come to work with a sick family member at home, or symptoms of their own, afraid to be punished for taking time off to get better.

“Proposition 118 will not only allow these workers to take the time off that they need to remain healthy and financially stable, but this measure will protect the health of the entire Colorado community. We are now another step closer to ensuring no Coloradan has to choose between their physical or financial health.”

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Local 7, the largest Union in Colorado is affiliated with United Food and Commercial Workers International Union which represents over 1.3 million workers in the United States and Canada, and is one of the largest private sector Unions in North America. UFCW members work in a wide range of industries, including retail food, food processing, agriculture, retail sales, and health care.

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