**MEDIA ADVISORY**

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UFCW LOCAL 7 TO PROVIDE UPDATES ON STRIKE

UFCW Local 7 President Kim Cordova will hold a press conference Monday to respond to King Soopers’ request to return to the negotiating table

DENVER- The United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW) Local 7 will address the public and Union members on Monday, January 10 at 3:00 PM MT in response to King Soopers’s request that the Union come back to the negotiating table and use a Federal Mediator to prevent the strike, which is set to begin at 5:00 AM MT on Wednesday, January 12.

Last week, UFCW Local 7 members in Denver and Colorado Springs voted overwhelmingly to authorize the strike in response to the Company’s unfair labor practices during negotiations over higher wages, benefit reductions and increased worker safety. The Company has failed to adequately address these demands and continues to demonstrate a lack of appreciation for workers who put their lives at risk in the midst of a global pandemic.

Kim Cordova, President of UFCW Local 7 and Vice President of UFCW International, which represents approximately 17,000 Essential Grocery workers from Kroger/King Soopers, addressed the reasons behind the strike:

“Our plea remains the same: Stop these unfair labor practices, and respect us, protect us and pay us what we deserve. UFCW Local 7 members will remain on strike until the company agrees to cease its unfair labor practices and comes to the negotiating table in good faith.”

Members will gather outside Union Hall, joined by supporters, community organizations, and the public, to hear from members of the Union and its leaders.

WHAT:
Press conference to update the public on the most recent developments of the strike

WHEN:
Monday, January 10, at 3:00 P.M. MT

WHERE:
Union Hall
7760 West 38th Ave
Wheat Ridge, CO

Members of the press, please confirm your attendance at press@skdknick.com.

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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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