Brothers and Sisters,

There has never been a more important election year than the one we are currently in. The fate of the labor movement and even our Democracy hangs in the balance of what happens on November 3rd. That is why it is more important than ever to make sure that all of our members understand how to make their vote count this year. Below find a step by step explanation of how to vote by mail effectively this fall:

WITHOUT A SECRECY ENVELOPE, YOUR VOTE WILL NOT COUNT.

If you plan to vote by mail, you must enclose your ballot in TWO envelopes: the small, white secrecy envelope and the larger return envelope addressed to your county elections office. If you don’t use the secrecy envelope, your vote will not be counted.

COMPLETING YOUR MAIL BALLOT IS AN EASY, FIVE-STEP PROCESS. Voting by mail couldn’t be much easier — just follow the instructions accompanying your ballot very carefully!

Follow these five steps before you return your ballot by mail or in-person:

1. Mark your ballot in blue or black pen.

2. Seal your ballot inside the white secrecy envelope provided. If you don’t, your ballot will not count.

3. Place the ballot and secrecy envelope in the larger return envelope addressed to your county elections office.

4. Complete and sign the Voter Declaration on the back of the envelope.

5. Return your ballot by mail as soon as you’ve completed it, or find an in-person drop-off location in your county at iwillvote.com/PA.

IT’S ON ALL OF US TO EDUCATE VOTERS.

We all have a duty to help our members secure their vote by sharing this important information. Tell all of your members to use a secrecy envelope and follow the instructions closely if they plan to vote by mail!

THERE ARE MORE WAYS FOR PENNSYLVANIANS TO VOTE THAN EVER

Remind members that there are more ways to vote this year than ever, including universal vote-by-mail, voting early in-person, and the option to return mail ballots to their county elections office or other official drop-off locations across the Commonwealth. However, voters planning to vote on a mail ballot must use both the smaller secrecy envelope and the larger return envelope, and must fill out and sign the voter declaration on the back of the return envelope to have their vote count. Voters can find out all of their options and step-by-step instructions at iwillvote.com/PA. SECRECY ENVELOPE