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Secretary-Treasurers

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Re: International Day of Mourning – Tuesday, April 28, 2015

HEU will join with labour allies across the country on International Day of Mourning – Tuesday, April 28 – to honour workers injured or killed on the job, and those who have died from work-related illnesses.

As many of you are aware, health care still has the highest workplace injury rates in British Columbia.

And according to WorkSafeBC's most recent stats, there were 145,126 workers injured on the job and 186 fatalities in 2013.

That's why HEU's People with disAbilities (PWD) Standing Committee continues to advocate for safer working conditions through its Blue Poppy Campaign.

And as a way to raise awareness to HEU members and their families about the importance of the International Day of Mourning, the PWD committee is holding its annual children's colouring contest.

Contest details are enclosed and available to download from the HEU website at <http://www.heu.org>. The deadline for submissions is **Thursday, May 28, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.** – Provincial Office, 5000 North Fraser Way, Burnaby, B.C. V5J 5M3.

Please distribute the enclosed posters and blue poppies at your work site.

If you have any questions about the colouring contest, please contact HEU's equity officer Sharryn Modder at smodder@heu.org.

In solidarity,

Bonnie Pearson
Secretary-Business Manager

cc: Provincial Executive, chairpersons, HEU reps and directors

Enclosure