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Secretary-Treasurers

Dear Sisters, Brothers and Friends:

**Re: Women to the front: taking our space, building our power
HEU Women's Conference – September 16-18, 2019**

HEU's three-day women's conference – *Women to the front: taking our space, building our power* – will be held September 16 (1:00 p.m.) to September 18 (ends at noon) at the Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel in Richmond.

Women's work, both paid and unpaid, is critical to the functioning of our society. Yet, our work is too often undervalued, and our voices are not listened to. By working together to build women's collective power, we can fight to put women at the front of the agenda in our union, in our communities, and the halls of political power.

During the conference, we'll discuss the ways that women take leadership in our union and in our communities. We will also strategize about how to build women's participation in the social, economic and political world around us, and learn more about the strengths and barriers facing women in all our diversity.

Who should attend the conference?

HEU members are invited to apply to participate in the women's conference. Members don't need to have any previous experience or education to apply. Interested members, who identify as women, are encouraged to apply. Please share this application and letter widely. We need your help to get this information to as many HEU women as possible.

Please distribute the application form (photocopy as needed). Completed applications must be returned to Jamie Cruz, HEU Education Department, 5000 North Fraser Way, Burnaby, B.C. V5J 5M3 by **5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 24, 2019**. Forms can be faxed, mailed or emailed <jcruz@heu.org>. Please send ONE COPY only.

In solidarity,

Jennifer Whiteside
Secretary-Business Manager