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Dear Father Quinn,

I am surely encouraged by your gathering today and the attention being given to those, including many in our community, who are striving to support themselves and their families through honest work. As we know from Catholic social teaching, there is inherent dignity in work and all deserve adequate compensation for their labor. A just society is built upon the foundation of fairness in all aspects, including our economy and how wages are distributed.

Pope Francis has said, "A way has to be found to enable everyone to benefit from the fruits of the earth, and not simply to close the gap between the affluent and those who must be satisfied with the crumbs falling from the table, but above all to satisfy the demands of justice, fairness and respect for every human being."

May God bless your efforts, and may all of us continue to promote peace by working for justice.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L.
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