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Secretary: Janine Booth Chairperson: Glenn Brown

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Dear Brothers and Sisters

Message of support for Unite the Union London bus strike

RMT Central Line East branch sends its full support and solidarity to Unite the Union in its strike action today and over the next few weeks.

The privatisation of the bus industry has led to drivers' and other workers' pay being held back and to inequalities between employees of different companies for which there is no justification. We fully support your demand that wages be equalised and increased.

All of us who work on London's public transport have felt the detrimental effect of privatisation, contracting-out and underfunding. The way forward towards creating a decent service for Londoners and visitors is for all public transport to be in public hands, well-funded, integrated, allowed to run as a service not a business, and under the democratic control of those who work and travel on it. Crucial to this is to have a workforce with decent pay and conditions.

We urge all RMT members to support Unite in fighting for better pay and conditions, and remind all bus workers of the trade union tradition of solidarity and of respecting picket lines.

If there is anything we can do to help your campaign, please let us know.

Yours in solidarity

Janine Booth Secretary

Glenn Brown Chairperson

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