

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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Mr. Victor Alvandi
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Alvand Transportation
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Dear Mr. Alvandi:

We write today to express our concern —and the concerns our constituents have expressed to us— regarding the stalled contract negotiations between Alvand Transportation and the bus drivers who voted more than a year ago to organize a union with the Transportation Communications Union (TCU/IAM).

Alvand Transportation and the employees who operate your services perform a vital public function, ensuring that our constituents—and many others who rely on Amtrak's long-distance rail network—can reliably reach their onward destinations. As supporters of Amtrak, we expect dependable service for our communities, and the thruway service provided by Alvand Transportation, funded in part by federal dollars appropriated to Amtrak, is essential to the passenger rail network in Los Angeles. This is why avoiding any disruption or potential work stoppage is of the utmost importance. It is our understanding, however, that negotiations have largely stalled.

As elected Members of Congress, we stand firmly behind workers' rights to organize and to bargain collectively. These are not abstract principles; they are embedded in the very purpose of the National Labor Relations Act, which states that it is the policy of the United States to encourage "the practice and procedure of collective bargaining and by protecting the exercise by workers of full freedom of association, self-organization, and designation of representatives of their own choosing, for the purpose of negotiating the terms and conditions of their employment or other mutual aid or protection" (29 U.S.C. § 151 - "Findings and Policies").

We believe that a fair and timely resolution is achievable if both parties commit themselves to good-faith negotiations. Any effort to frustrate, undermine, or otherwise abuse the bargaining process, or any attempt to disregard or target employees for exercising their right to a meaningful voice in the workplace could be a violation of federal law.

We hope that both sides come to the table promptly and negotiate in good faith to reach a fair agreement expeditiously.

Sincerely,



Jimmy Gomez
Member of Congress

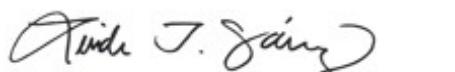

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