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Dear Susan Wallace:

I received your correspondence regarding the Blue Man Group Boycott and I brought it before my Executive. The Executive unanimously endorsed the boycott and the following will be communicated to the members of District 12 Toronto, Secondary Teachers' Bargaining Unit.

Boycott Blue Man Group

Blue Man Group is an American theatrical producer which is planning to mount shows at the New Yorker theatre. Despite the efforts of the Canadian Actors' Equity, the Toronto Musicians' Association and two locals of IATSE (International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees), the group has refused to sign an agreement that would ensure protection for fees and other compensation, hours of work and overtime, insurance and RRSP contributions and other areas of working conditions. This refusal to deal with the unions undercuts local producers, as well as showing a disdain for the many people who work in the entertainment business in Toronto.

The District 12 STBU Executive asks all of its members to boycott the production, set to start later in the spring, until the producer signs on to an agreement with Equity members.

I wish you success in your efforts.

Yours in solidarity,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Doug Jolliffe". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over the typed name.

Doug Jolliffe
President
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