

From the Offices of THE SENATE PRESIDENT & THE HOUSE SPEAKER

Tuesday, January 7th, 2025

Dear Providence Executive Team,

The current stalemate between Providence and union-represented frontline care providers is avoidable and will lead to major disruptions in Oregon's health care system in just a matter of days. Such a disruption, coming as a last resort from frontline workers who've been bargaining in good faith, would have negative consequences for patients, caregivers, and Oregonians as a whole.

We're asking Providence executives to agree to return to the bargaining table and reengage in the process in good faith. Nurses, physicians, and caregivers are the lifeblood and backbone of our health care system. They're dedicated to saving lives and improving the health of their patients, benefitting everyone in the state. They deserve a fair contract and good working conditions—most of all, they deserve to be heard and bargained with in good faith.

Please return to the bargaining table without delay so we can limit the negative impact on patients and their families.

Sincerely,

Rep. Julie Fahey (D-West Eugene & Veneta) Speaker of the Oregon House of Representatives Sen. Rob Wagner (D-Lake Oswego) President of the Oregon Senate