



October 18, 2016

Liette Doucet, President  
Nova Scotia Teachers Union  
Dr. Tom Parker Building  
3106 Joseph Howe Drive  
Halifax, N.S. B3L 4L7

Dear Liette Doucet:

On behalf of the 45,000 members of the Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association, we stand in solidarity with the members of the Nova Scotia Teachers Union in the lead up to your strike vote on October 25. We understand and recognize the need to protect fair and equitable wages of teachers, as well as the learning and teaching conditions for students and teachers alike.

We too had to call on our members in our last round of negotiations to empower our provincial bargaining team with a strike mandate. These are never easy decisions for leaders to make, but also the most important to ensure the wellbeing of our profession.

It is our hope that the Nova Scotia Teachers Union will obtain a strong strike mandate in an effort to achieve labour peace in your province.

In Solidarity,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ann Hawkins".

Ann Hawkins  
President

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