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Joanne Kay Regional Secretary **UNISON South West**

Dear Joanne.

Re: NHS Paramedics and Nurses to take Industrial Action in the South West

I am writing on behalf of Fire Brigades Union members across our Region, to express our solidarity and support for the action being taking by UNISON members working for the South West Ambulance Service in their fight for fair pay.

The action beginning on Monday includes people who Firefighters work closely with, including Paramedics, Technicians and Nurses, and we have personal experience of the commitment and professionalism that they bring to their life saving professions. These and other vital health workers are being treated disgracefully by this Government, who are running down pay and refusing to give basic pay awards. Your members have no choice other than to strike and we thank them all for having the guts and strength to fight for fairness & justice in their professions.

Please let us know if there is any practical assistance we can offer your Union and its members. I look forward to a successful outcome

Yours sincerely,

T MCFARLANE

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBER

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