



## **BROTHERS AND SISTERS LABOR DAY GREETINGS!**

Brothers and Sisters, every first Monday in September since 1894, is a celebration for you and your loved ones to enjoy the fruits of your labor. It is meant to be a carefree day for men and women who toil every day. The holiday dedicated to YOU came to be during the great paroxysms, and battles, between Labor and the Bosses of the Gilded Age, where great wealth bought and paid to see that wages were kept low, Unions were busted, and Union workers were murdered in the pursuit of obscene riches.

Sadly, as we look at our great Nation today, through struggle and triumph, during the past 125 years of celebrating workers, much has happened to reverse our successes. Just read the quote below:

**Corruption dominates the ballot-box, the Legislatures, the Congress and touches even the ermine of the bench. The fruits of the toil of millions are boldly stolen to build up colossal fortunes for a few, unprecedented in the history of mankind; and the possessors of these, in turn, despise the Republic and endanger liberty.**— *National platform of the Populist Party, 1892*

These words resonate as TRUE today as much as they did in 1892. As we look to 2020 keep these words in mind as we fight for new contracts, vote in elections and gather at Membership Meetings. We can win through Solidarity, Unity and Brother and Sisterhood.

This weekend, on behalf of the Officers and Executive Board of Local 1-2, we wish you and your loved ones a glorious, fruitful, joyous celebration of the work you do. This is why we are Union. Take a well-deserved rest. And then get ready to fight Management and the Bosses for our share!

### **Happy Labor Day!**

Ps: Next Saturday, September 7, come join your Local 1-2 Brothers and Sisters at the Labor Parade. Meet us on E. 45<sup>th</sup> St., between Fifth Ave. and Vanderbilt Ave. We muster starting at 9am, scheduled to march at 10:45. Food and beverages provided as well as T-shirts for all members attending.