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Vice President

Hi! I am Martin Drover and I am running for Vice President of IATSE 873.

This is my statement:

When the union made the Vice President's job a paid position. The discussion on the floor was very much about the need to have a representative go out to the job sites and be in front of the membership. Dealing with the issues of the day and getting them resolved quickly by being there. Making the members satisfied and listened too as they should be by working together as a collective. That's what it's all about.

We now need to encourage the newer members and the more experienced members to work together. There by encouraging the members to share and benefit from each other or we are back to square one.

Guidance and direction, not intimidation and exclusion is what needs to happen. We need to stand up for all our members so that they know we're there for all of them.

It's up to our leadership to guide us. When there are problems to do what's best for all and allow the members to be really listened too and be really heard. We need to be one cohesive unit if we want to be the best and most successful In North America and the world. This is the place to which I want to help lead the Union.

It's time for a change of direction. All of us together and we will be a success. It's our future, let's take it and go VOTE!