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REPLY TO:

**Senate of Pennsylvania**

December 1, 2021

Philadelphia Museum of Art  
Leslie Anne Miller  
Chairperson/ Board of Trustees of the Philadelphia Museum of Art  
2600 Benjamin Franklin Parkway  
Philadelphia, PA 19130

Leslie Ann Miller:

We, the members of the Philadelphia Delegation of the Pennsylvania State Senate, are aware of the pace and progress of contract negotiations between the Philadelphia Museum of Art Union, AFSCME District Council 47, Local 397, and Philadelphia Museum of Art management. We urge you, the Trustees of the museum, to do the right thing for the staff and visitors of the Philadelphia Museum of Art (PMA) and for the City of Philadelphia and reach agreement on a contract with the PMA Union without further delay.

The workers who staff the PMA deserve the respect and dignity of a signed Collective Bargaining Agreement. Cultural workers are an important part of the history, identity, future, and economic wellbeing of the City of Philadelphia and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. They deserve the equitable pay and living wages, opportunities for career growth and job security, and the safe and healthful working conditions guaranteed to hundreds of thousands of other unionized workers across Pennsylvania through their union contracts. Cultural work must be recognized as a vital service to our communities, making the arts accessible to us all. We ask that you acknowledge the value of workers to the PMA. It is time to bring these contract negotiations to a fair and just conclusion.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Christine M. Tartaglione in black ink.

Christine M. Tartaglione  
State Senator, 2<sup>nd</sup> District

Handwritten signature of Senator Nikil Saval in blue ink.

Senator Nikil Saval  
State Senator, 1<sup>st</sup> District

Handwritten signature of Senator Sharif Street in black ink.

Senator Sharif Street  
State Senator, 3<sup>rd</sup> District

Handwritten signature of Senator Art Haywood in black ink.

Senator Art Haywood  
State Senator, 4<sup>th</sup> District

CC: William Petersen and Deborah Johnston