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**Statement of Terry O'Sullivan, General President of LIUNA,
On the Suspension of LIUNA's Healthcare Ads in Montana and North Dakota**

Washington, D.C. (June 30, 2009) – Terry O'Sullivan, General President of LIUNA, made the following statement on the suspension of LIUNA's ads in Montana and North Dakota opposing a tax on workers' healthcare.

Ads opposing a tax on workers' healthcare benefits are up and running today in Montana and North Dakota. They will be up in Iowa tomorrow.

Senator Baucus' office reached out to LIUNA with a request to meet and attempt to resolve the healthcare tax issue. The Senator's office requested that we suspend the ads until that time. We agreed to do so and expect the ads to be held back starting tomorrow.

In the last several weeks thousands of LIUNA members have contacted Senator Baucus' office as well as other members of the Senate Finance Committee speaking out against a tax on healthcare benefits. We expect them to continue to do so.

This is the beginning of the healthcare debate and our goal is to be involved in the process and to continue to be active so we can achieve healthcare reform that benefits all working people.

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The half-million members of LIUNA – the Laborers' International Union of North America – are on the forefront of the construction industry, a powerhouse of workers who are proud to build America.