**SAMPLE LETTER FOR HYATT,WESTIN,FOUR SEASONS, PINNACLE**

Dear Management,

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ has been a long-time customer of the \_\_\_\_\_\_ hotel and we appreciate the quality of service that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ workers have provided to us over the years.

In any given year, our organization books rooms at the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (list events- arbitrations/conventions/etc). We take a number of factors into consideration when deciding where to direct our business.

Our union is a member of the BC Federation of Labour as is UNITE HERE Local 40 which holds the certification for your employees. We understand that negotiations with UNITE HERE Local 40 are not going well and that the union has had to take a strike vote.

**At the request of UNITE HERE Local 40, and as a gesture of solidarity, we intend to remove our currently scheduled business at your hotel, not to book any new business until the dispute is resolved. We are taking this step because we do not want to be in the unacceptable position that our planned events or bookings may be behind picket lines.**

We are deeply concerned that workers at your hotel have been without a contract for over a year. While hotel room rates have skyrocketed, and profits have increased, hotel workers are getting higher workloads, losing full-time stable jobs, and missing wage increases over the last two years. The safety of women in the hospitality industry is also a top concern, as more and more women have come forward with disturbing stories of sexual harassment at work.

We urge you resolve this dispute as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(name)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(title)