

24th September 2015.

To: Each Chief Executive of a City or County Council.

Re: Congress Charter for Fair Conditions at Work

Dear Colleague

As you may be aware I addressed a meeting of the City and County Managers Association on Thursday 17th September 2015, in relation to a major new national initiative organised by Congress, for which we are seeking the support of County Councils and Councillors across the country.

More information on this initiative is available here: http://www.ictu.ie/congresscharter/

The aim is to build support across our society for the principles set out in the Congress Charter for Fair Conditions at Work. As part of the campaign we are asking elected representatives to sign a pledge that they support the principles set out in the Charter. We have already sought the support of members of the Oireachtas and MEP's and I am delighted to report that well over 100 have already signed the pledge in support of the Congress campaign.

During the next phase we are seeking the support of elected members of the various City and County Councils and we have written to each of them asking them to sign the pledge supporting our campaign, to put down a motion at their own Council seeking that Council's support for the campaign and to request that a representative of Congress be given an opportunity to address a meeting of elected members.

During the meeting with the CCMA it was suggested to us that we should also request the Chief Executive of each City and County Council to organise for a Congress representative to address a meeting of elected representatives.

The purpose of this letter is to request you to assist in facilitating an address by a Congress Representative to a meeting of elected members. In that regard I would be obliged if you could contact Noreen Moloney noreen.moloney@ictu.ie or Liam Berney liam.berney@ictu.ie who will arrange for a Congress representative to attend a meeting. Both Liam and Noreen can be contacted by phone at 01 8897777.

Yours sincerely

Patricia King General Secretary.