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Dear friends at the U.S. Government Accountability Office:

I wish to offer my congratulations on your recent decision to engage in collective bargaining with the U.S. Government Accountability Office and I commend your decision to join with the International Federation of Professional and Technical Engineers.

As members of the IFPTE, analysts at the GAO will become part of the union's proud 90-year history of fighting for American workers. Organized labor is one of the hallmarks of the American workforce and the men and women of the labor movement can be thanked for nearly all of the gains in wages and working conditions achieved in our nation's history.

I wish you the best of luck in your efforts to elect your first leadership and negotiate your first contract. I am pleased to see that you chose to "band together" and elect union representation.

Yours in solidarity,

Timothy J. Walz
Member of Congress

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