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Dear Brother Wayne:

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my sincerest thanks and appreciation for the generous contributions to United Way received from the members of Canadian Auto Workers Local 199. The unprecedented level of support and generosity shown to the member agencies of United Way by CAW Local 199 is extraordinary and will go a long way in making our community a better place to live.

Although this is a really difficult time for the Automotive Industry, General Motors workers always rally around to help those less fortunate. It certainly shows in the continued support we receive from your members.

Given the shrinking workforce at the plant, now 1800 employees in total, and including the corporate donation General Motors and their employees have raised for their communities an astounding \$432,628 This represents 21% of our \$3.2 million goal.

On a personal note, I want to thank you, the Executive Board and all the volunteers within the local that I had the opportunity to work with. Your support is very important to me and makes my job a pleasure.

In Solidarity,

Mariea Mc Nelis  
Director of Labour Community Services  
United Way St. Catharines & District.