



Sisters and Brothers,

In 1984, The Canada Labour Congress established April 28 as the National Day of Mourning in Canada to remember and honour those who have died, been injured or suffered illness in the workplace. It is now recognized in more than 100 countries.

Canadian flags on Parliament Hill and Queen's Park will fly at half-mast on this day. Not only is it a day to remember and honour those lives lost or injured due to a workplace tragedy but also a day to renew the commitment to improve Health and Safety in the workplace and prevent further injuries, illnesses and deaths.

The pain of the injured and lives of those lost must not go unrecognized and unaccounted for. No one should die at work yet in Ontario a worker dies almost every day because of a workplace hazard or incident. Workers deaths are tragedies not only for their families but also for their co-workers.

On this day, lets honour a minute of silence at 11 am, stand in solidarity with workers around the world and share with each other a collective sense of loss.

In Solidarity,

Adele Chaplain
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