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Governor Mark Parkinson
Capitol, 300 SW 10th Ave., Ste. 212S
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Dear Governor Parkinson:

On behalf of the Alliance for Worker Freedom (AWF) and millions of rank-and-file American workers nationwide, I am urging you to condemn the use of taxpayer dollars by several Kansas State Departments to collect names, addresses, and telephone numbers of healthcare workers for the Service Employees International Union (SEIU).

As you can see, per the attached letters, the Kansas Department on Aging, led by Martin Kennedy, and the Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services, under Secretary Don Jordan, are using Kansas State resources and taxpayer dollars to gather personal information for one of the most powerful unions, the SEIU.

The fact that you are allowing your Departments' to use taxpayer resources to help a union gather personal information on workers not only provides serious suspect as to your character, but questions your true dedication as a public servant.

Make no mistake, **Kansas state resources are currently being used to help the SEIU obtain names and addresses of healthcare workers for the purposes of unionization.** The SEIU is notorious for provoking, sometimes with violence, other healthcare provider unions for the purposes of increasing their own ranks. Now, with Denis Rivera tapped to lead the SEIU's healthcare reform charge on Capitol Hill, it is suspect as to why many of now Secretary Sebelius' former employees are pushing state dollars to help this union.

One excerpt from the attached letter states by gathering this information it will "provide an opportunity for these individuals to receive information regarding services offered by this organization [the SEIU]." This is blatantly stated as the state of Kansas helping the SEIU gather information on workers for the direct purpose of unionizing them.

The information the SEIU is asking for either exists in current public record format or not. At the least, these actions are irresponsible and morally questionable.

I request that all receipts and financial transactions regarding the "collection" of this information, per request of the SEIU, be made publically available online in a searchable format. I also request that all emails and correspondence using state owned resources between Kansas state employees and anyone working for the SEIU be made available. Thank you and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Brian M. Johnson, MPA
Executive Director

cc: Martin Kennedy, Acting Secretary of Department on Aging
Don Jordan, Secretary of Dept. of Social and Rehabilitation Services
Kathleen Sebelius, Secretary of the Department of Health & Human Services
U.S. House & Senate Members from Kansas
Andy Stern, President of SEIU

Enclosures

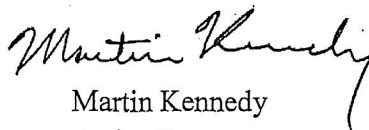
August 24, 2009


Dear

We are asking for your assistance in responding to a request for information from the Service Employees International Union/SEIU Healthcare Kansas. The agency is working to compile a list of all attendants who are compensated using a payroll agent. We feel this is an appropriate use of section 8400, Benefits and Limitations, of the Kansas Medical Assistance Program (KMAP) Manual. Considering that the nature of their work can make it difficult to reach these individuals, this will provide an opportunity for these individuals to receive important information regarding services offered by this organization. The Kansas Department on Aging (KDOA) will ensure these lists are available to organizations that promote the interests of HCBS waiver clients and direct care attendants, and will also ensure that the organization does not improperly use the information for marketing purposes.

The list should include attendants' names, addresses and telephone numbers. Please submit this information in an electronic format, preferably a .xls or .pdf file to Roxanne.DeGraw@aging.ks.gov. We ask that you submit this information by September 3, 2009. If you have questions, please contact Joyce Smith at Joyce.Smith@aging.ks.gov.

Sincerely,



Martin Kennedy
Acting Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL
AND REHABILITATION SERVICES

Mark Parkinson, Governor
Don Jordan, Secretary

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Dear Provider:

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The list should include attendants' names, addresses and telephone numbers. Please submit this information in an electronic format, preferably a .xls or .pdf file. We ask that you submit this information to Margaret Zillinger, Director of Community Supports and Services, by September 3, 2009. If you have questions, please contact Margaret Zillinger at margaret.zillinger@srs.ks.gov

Sincerely,



Don Jordan
Secretary