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TO: TNG-CWA Region 2 Local Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and

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FROM: Marian Needham, TNG-CWA Executive Vice President

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On September 20, Sheila Lindsay announced that she is stepping down from her Executive Council position as Region 2 Vice President of The NewsGuild-CWA. Sheila's departure from the EC follows her resignation from employment with the American Nurses Association.

Article IX, Section 4 of the Guild Constitution (enclosed) provides a process for filling a VP vacancy that occurs six months or more before a Sector Conference. In relevant part, that Article calls for TNG to give notice to the Region 2 locals, inviting the Executive Committees of each of those locals to offer one nomination to fill the vacancy. ¹

Those nominations must be submitted to TNG's Executive Council within 30 days of the notice of vacancy. The EC, by voting, will appoint a temporary regional vice president from the list of nominees received. The Region 2 temporary vice president appointed by the EC will serve in that position until the next sector conference, which will be held in August 2021.

TNG's Region 2 is comprised of Knoxville (Local 33076), Lexington (Local 33229), Memphis (Local 33091) Puerto Rico (UPAGRA, Local 33225) Washington/Baltimore (Local 32035) and CWA Local 3108.

Pursuant to Article IX, the timeline for this appointment process is as follows:

- September 25: Notification of vacancy provided to Region 2 locals
- October 25: deadline for local nominations to fill the vacancy

Note: Nominees must provide the EC written confirmation of their willingness to accept the nomination and serve if elected.

October 30: deadline for EC appointment of Region 2 VP

The Executive Council joins the Guild membership in thanking Sheila for her dedicated and thoughtful service as a vice president of the national union, as president of her local and as a diligent representative of her home unit.

Martha Waggoner Chairperson

¹ Under the Guild Constitution, local Executive Committees are empowered to make this nomination without requiring action of the local. Only one nomination can be submitted per local.