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Dear Brother Francisco,

On behalf of the 1.6 million members of the American Federation of Teachers, I am writing to support the upcoming huelga general en la enseñanza.

As teachers and education support workers in both Spain and the United States know, so-called government education reforms and harsh budget cuts only serve to widen inequality and lessen opportunities for our students. Like you, we support the dignity of the teaching profession and denounce unfair layoffs, class size increases and the expansion of short-term contacting schemes.

The AFT has been proud to work with FECCOO for many years. We will continue to stand with you in solidarity in the fight for high-quality education for students, fairness for teachers, and what is best for their communities and the country.

In unity,

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