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Dear Ian Wright,

On behalf of the Labour Union Caucus I wish to acknowledge and thank all your members who were impacted through the occupation of the Parliamentary precinct and surrounding streets last month.

They went beyond what anyone would expect to have to deal with in a day's work. We know that there was significantly difficult and dangerous work that had to be done to keep people and property safe during the occupation and to clean up in the aftermath. We understand that there is still work going on, and that emergency services continue to support the restoration of the precinct.

For those of us working in the precinct at the time, we are appreciative of the unique situation that our emergency services were in over those weeks. The aggression, threats, and intensely nasty atmosphere that had to be endured was a new experience for so many of us. We witnessed our emergency services consistently responding with grace and patience.

They were targeted for trying their best to comply with public health orders and advice. They were targeted for doing so much to keep others safe. Yet again, New Zealand emergency services stood in solidarity with New Zealanders to look after each other. And for that we are grateful.

Ngā mihi

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