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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

American Federation of Musicians Places Fort Wayne Philharmonic, Inc. on International Unfair List

The American Federation of Musicians has placed the Fort Wayne Philharmonic on the AFM International Unfair List. The request was made by Fort Wayne Musicians Association (AFM Local 58) President Samuel Gnagey, on behalf of musicians of the Fort Wayne Philharmonic Players' Association.

Players' Association Chair Campbell MacDonald states:

"Placement on the International Unfair List is an alert to our industry that Fort Wayne Philharmonic management does not treat Musicians fairly"

Fort Wayne Philharmonic management was last placed on the International Unfair List in November 2020, following attempts to schedule concerts with traveling artists while Philharmonic Musicians were furloughed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Philharmonic Musicians went on strike on December 8. Negotiations with Philharmonic management for a new contract with Musicians resume today.

Visit the Fort Wayne Philharmonic Players' Association website at <u>www.fwpmusicians.com</u> for more information.