Dear Duncan,

Dear Members of SAG-AFTRA

The International Federation of Musicians (FIM) and its member unions in sixty-five countries stand in solidarity with SAG-AFTRA and the 160,000 workers it represents in their strike against the AMPTP. We fully support their legitimate demands for a modern contract providing for fair wages and working conditions and adequate protection of their rights in the online environment.

We share their concern about the existential threat that artificial intelligence poses to creative professionals. Wherever they work, performers worldwide deserve contract language that protects them from having their creations, talents, and identity exploited without consent and remuneration.

We urge AMPTP member companies to acknowledge the dire impact of the sector’s transformation on those who perform labor for the studios, and to engage without further delay in meaningful, good-faith negotiations with trade unions to achieve a fair deal for all workers in the movie industry.

In solidarity,

Benoît Machuel
General Secretary