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**AFSCME Hennepin County Members Completed Voting on Next Contract**

**South St. Paul, MN** - AFSCME Council 5 Executive Director Julie Bleyhl released the following statement after six Hennepin County AFSCME local unions completed voting on their next union contracts.

“Members of all six Hennepin County AFSCME locals have finished casting their ballots and had their voices heard on their next proposed union contract. We announce that members of five of the seven Hennepin County AFSCME bargaining units have ratified their next contract containing wage increases totaling 2.5% each year of the three-year deal, cash bonuses for all in-person, hybrid, and virtual workers, expanded bereavement leave, fifty-one wage classification adjustments raising the pay of more than 1,834 workers, and more. Congratulations, siblings!

“Members of two Hennepin County AFSCME locals voted to not accept the county’s last, best, final offer and voted to reject and authorize a strike, Locals 34 and 2822. As a union, we will always support and carry out the will of our members in their next steps with the hopes of reaching an agreement.”

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