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“Social Justice should be a priority for our society” says Pauline Richard, co-chair of the NB Common Front for Social Justice.

This Saturday, February 20, we will celebrate the United Nations’ World Day of Social Justice.

*The Declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalization is just one recent example of the UN system’s commitment to social justice. The Declaration focuses on guaranteeing fair outcomes for all through employment, social protection, social dialogue, and fundamental principles and rights at work.*

For Pauline Richard: “This message from the United Nations fits well with our present campaign which is for an increase of the minimum wage and more protection at the workplace. If we are serious about social justice it means taking steps to rapidly increase the minimum to \$15.00 an hour, index it and bring positive changes on key employment standards.”

“I am, like thousands of other workers in our province, a low-wage worker and I understand and support the demands put forward by the Common Front. I know the situation low-wage workers are living and can relate to their stories,” says Thérèse Duguay.

“The attached document, **Low-income workers speak out**, gives concrete examples of a number of low-income workers and their situation,” concludes Chantal Landry

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The Common Front for Social Justice is one of the largest democratic and popular organizations in New Brunswick, with close to 75,000 group and individual members. The Common Front brings together individuals as well as local, regional and provincial organizations to work

towards the eradication of poverty.