

VOTE AND RE-ELECT TONY D. MCKINNON SR, INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS DIRECTOR

A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT EMERITUS BILL BURRUS



Throughout the 37 years that I served as President of the Cleveland, Oh Local, and the Executive Vice President and President of the National American Postal Workers Union (APWU), I had the pleasure of interacting with many-committed union activist to achieve our collective objective and improved conditions for postal employees. From 1974 to my retirement in 2010, we significantly elevated the conditions for postal employees in every phase of employment. I served as the union spokesperson in many of the interactions with postal management that lead to labor agreements, favorable arbitration decisions, and positive contractual changes. Many, many union officials assisted my efforts. Local and State APWU union officers were my reliable source of information for changes that needed to be addressed. There are too many to single out specific individuals who were responsible for the needed assistance, but I would be remiss if I did not acknowledge the contributions of *Tony D. McKinnon, Sr.* to my efforts that lead to positive change. As a Local and State President, Tony was a source of information and support that I often sought when undertaking efforts needing positive change. I could always rely upon his counsel and advice.

Since my retirement, I have watched with *PRIDE* and *SATISFACTION* as Tony has continued those efforts for positive change. **The required staffing of the DBCS and the acceleration of national arbitration scheduling resulting in more national decisions than received in the 20 years prior to him serving as the Director of Industrial Relations are successes unparalleled in the Department. There are many union officials who have identified needed change. However, upon achieving national office, Tony has made positive change a REALITY. By any measure, Tony is worthy of the consideration of the members for continued service as the Director.**

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**Bill Burrus,
President Emeritus**