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## **REPUBLIC SERVICES TEAMSTERS LAUNCH STRIKE**

### ***Over 400 Sanitation Workers in Boston Area Forced to Picket Line***

(CHARLESTOWN, Mass.) – This morning, 450 Republic Services workers represented by Teamsters Local 25 were forced on strike by the waste giant, inevitably disrupting waste collections for hundreds of thousands of residents throughout the Boston area. Primary picket lines could extend nationwide and result in a work stoppage for over 3,500 Teamsters.

Republic Teamsters are demanding a contract with improved wages, better benefits, and stronger labor protections. The multibillion-dollar waste corporation has refused to give workers a fair deal, pushing them to the picket line.

"If your rubbish is piling up on the Fourth of July, remember who's responsible for it: the white-collar criminals who run Republic Services," said Teamsters General President Sean M. O'Brien. "Republic Teamsters didn't start this fight, but we will finish it. Our members will do whatever it takes to finally get the respect they're owed."

Hundreds of additional Teamsters across the country are having similar contract disputes with Republic, and they could launch strikes of their own at any moment.

"This fight isn't just in Boston," said Victor Mineros, Director of the Teamsters Solid Waste and Recycling Division and Teamsters Western Region International Vice President. "From California to Massachusetts, Teamsters nationwide are dealing with the same problems with this company. If Republic doesn't get its act together quickly, we will make an example of this employer for its mistreatment of our members. American workers deserve better."

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