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Before going further, I would like to echo President Lee Saunders’ message of standing in support with the people of Ukraine in opposition to Russian Aggression. The International Executive Board passed a resolution expressing our solidarity with the people of Ukraine, including a strong condemnation of the war as an economic weapon and the application of sanctions designed to cripple the Russian economy. AFSCME’s belief in human rights—wherever in the world they may be threatened—demands that we do what we can, where we can, to support human rights. I hope that you will consider a contribution to international relief organizations that are moving humanitarian aid to the people of Ukraine.

It was exactly two years ago that HGEA closed to in-person meetings. The Retirees Unit held their State Board of Directors meeting in March 2020 and the next day we went into quarantine mode due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Sessions were the first authorized to get vaccinations and you saw immediately understanding the importance to your families and communities. As we now look to conduct in-person meetings, we should all be successful if we “follow the science.” For now, mask wearing is optional at all HGEA functions. I do look forward to meeting in person again, sharing a meal, laughing, or just sitting and chatting about the good times in the past and the great times to come.

As we look forward to another legislative session, we must not forget the importance of our retirement benefits. During this time of unprecedented health and economic uncertainty, our Retirees Unit has been working to ensure that the elected officials continue to support our collective bargaining agreements and pension benefits.

If you are interested in learning more about how to get involved with March Madness, please visit our website at www.hgea.org/2023-march-madness or contact our March Madness Committee at marchmadness@hgea.org.