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**Statement from Whole Foods Workers on Historic Union Victory**

**PHILADELPHIA (January 28, 2025)** – “Yesterday, we, the workers of Whole Foods’ flagship store in Center City Philadelphia, made history by voting to unionize with UFCW Local 1776. This victory is not just ours—it belongs to every worker who believes in the power of standing together for fair wages, better benefits, and a safer, more supportive workplace.

For months, we faced a relentless campaign of intimidation, misinformation, and anti-union tactics from Amazon and Whole Foods management. They underestimated our determination and unity. Despite their best efforts to silence us, we stood firm because we knew that organizing was the only way to ensure that our voices were truly heard. Whole Foods must now give us the raises that they claimed to withhold so as not to influence the election.

This win is a testament to the strength of solidarity. It proves that when workers come together, even against a billion-dollar corporation, we can achieve meaningful change. We are incredibly proud of what we’ve accomplished, and we hope our success inspires workers at other Whole Foods locations and beyond to stand up for their rights.

We are excited to begin the next chapter of this journey as we work with UFCW Local 1776 to negotiate our first contract. We know this is just the beginning, and we are committed to fighting for the dignity, respect, and fairness that all workers deserve.

Thank you to everyone who supported us throughout this process—our families, our community, and the union that stood by us. Together, we are stronger.”

In solidarity,  
The Workers of Whole Foods Center City Philadelphia

**Whole Foods Workers in Philadelphia Vote to Unionize with UFCW Local 1776**

**PHILADELPHIA (January 27, 2025)** – Workers at the Amazon-owned Whole Foods flagship store in Center City Philadelphia have voted to unionize with UFCW Local 1776, marking a significant victory in their fight for fair wages, improved benefits, and a safer, more supportive workplace.

Since filing for union representation with the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) in November, these workers have faced an aggressive anti-union campaign by Amazon management, which has sought to keep employees from exercising their rights to representation.

Despite a relentless onslaught of anti-union propaganda and intimidation, and multiple allegations of unfair labor practices (ULPs) committed by Whole Foods management, the workers have remained committed to unionizing. Today's vote is a testament to the power of collective action and their determination to achieve a voice on the job.

“We are incredibly proud of the Whole Foods workers who have stood up to Amazon’s union-busting tactics and demonstrated the strength of solidarity,” said **UFCW Local 1776 President Wendell Young IV**. “This fight is far from over, but today’s victory is an important step forward. We are ready to bring Whole Foods to the bargaining table to negotiate a fair first contract that reflects the workers’ needs and priorities.”

UFCW Local 1776 is committed to supporting these workers as they move forward in their efforts to secure better wages, benefits, and working conditions. This landmark union victory sends a clear message: workers everywhere deserve respect, dignity, and a voice in their workplace.