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**STATEMENT OF SENATOR EDWARD M. KENNEDY ON UNITED AUTO
WORKERS STRIKE AT CHRYSLER**

WASHINGTON, DC— Today, Senator Edward M. Kennedy issued the following statement on the announcement of the strike by the United Auto Workers at the Chrysler Corporation:

“It’s regrettable that this strike even had to take place. I urge Chrysler to work to reach a fair contract with the UAW. Health costs and job security are obviously difficult issues, but as we saw at GM, parties working in good faith can reach a fair deal. Chrysler should go back to the bargaining table to renegotiate a realistic agreement as soon as possible.”

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