



### **I'm Backing Lola**

Unison Membership No: 13673738

Dear fellow members,

I am seeking your support in becoming the NEC representative for one of the reserved Black members female seats.

My name is Omolola Oyewusi, (Lady Lola) Vice co-chair for regional Black members greater London. I am proud to be the first black woman to be selected to stand in UK by any political party as a candidate for police crime commissioner, proud to be serving you on national black members committee & will be proud to serve you on the NEC speaking for us.

#### **Why I'm Standing To Represent Black members On The NEC**

Unison is a member led union who worked with the Labour party to initiate the equality act of 2010 which highlights the protected characteristics.

Our Unison is meant to be a union that truly believes & lead by example in equality, equity, diversity & Inclusion. This year 2023 is the year of Black workers & our union must ensure that Black agenda must be at the heart of Unison's priorities like never before to ensure that our needs are met, issues resolved & truly given the equal opportunities we deserved.

Your vote for me will mean amplifying our collective voices to ensure that we are not only seen but have all around victories in our workplaces, communities at large, political parties & especially in our union.

We are seeing increase in discrimination against Black people, Increase in Islamophobia, ethnicity pay gap & with our collective efforts we can win these battles when we stand together as one. As a black woman with years of trade union experience fighting workplace discrimination against Black colleagues without any apologies, If given the chance or the opportunity I will continue to do so if elected as the Black rep on the NEC working with like minded people who truly champions equality, diversity & inclusion. People who aren't afraid to challenge the leadership to do what's right & needful for the Black people.

I do not belong to any faction or slates which gives me the freedom to challenge & hold leadership to account freely without being a puppet in the hands of a puppeteer.

I currently serve in various areas of our union truly & proudly being a voice of reasons & hope for Black members . I would like to continue with this role on the NEC with your support

I am also a community activist, sitting as the vice chair for Medway trade union council in Kent.

I am a passionate believer in ensuring a greater voice for Black members in our union

I am an advocate for equality, equity, diversity, and inclusion.

I will be an accountable Black members NEC rep, producing written feedback after every meeting and ready to raise the concerns of activists' front and centre when they need to be discussed.

I will also push for further, accessible diversity & mentoring training tailored for Black members to make sure that our union is truly the union of all parts of the community – your race, religion, sexual orientation, or any other aspect should never be a barrier to receiving a well-deserved great service from our union.

My anti-racist activism is not just confined to the union. I'm the chair of Medway stand up to racism & has been at the forefront of campaigning for a better working condition, better services that works equally well for Black members.

I'm advocating for membership that works for all & not just for factions or slates

If you want a bold, vibrant voice that will work for you please vote for me, vote for the change you want to see & together we rise to **VICTORY**

Thanks for your time, and for considering me for the nomination to the NEC.

Yours in Solidarity

Omolola (AKA Lady Lola) Oyewusi -