



Dear .....

Re UNISON lobby of Parliament Wednesday May 7<sup>th</sup> 2008 to reinstate Karen Reissmann

I am writing as a constituent of yours to ask you make an appointment for me to see you in the afternoon of Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2008 at the House of Commons.

I will be attending the House of Commons as part of UNISON's lobby of parliament to raise the case of Karen Reissmann.

UNISON is concerned that Karen Reissmann, a UNISON elected official and psychiatric nurse, was sacked for speaking out about cuts and services in Manchester's mental health services. If this remains unchallenged, we believe it will have the effect of making health workers, other public sector workers and trade unionists less likely to raise concerns in the public domain. We believe this is to the detriment of users and workers in the NHS and in the wider community.

We would ask you to sign the Early Day Motion 443

"That this House notes with concern the sacking of Karen Reissmann, a senior practitioner nurse, from the Manchester Mental Health and Social Care Trust; is concerned that she was unjustifiably dismissed for speaking out against proposed changes to services which many staff believe would result in a worse service to patients; recognises the right of all citizens to freedom of speech; condemns Manchester Mental Health and Social Care Trust for disciplining Karen Reissmann for exercising her right; and calls on Manchester Mental Health and Social Care Trust to reinstate Karen Reissmann with immediate effect."

There will be a meeting to discuss these issues, chaired by Tony Lloyd, Karen's MP on the day starting at 1pm which I would encourage you to attend.

Thank you for your time.

Yours sincerely,

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At House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA

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