Date: December 5, 2016 For Release: Immediately Contact: Angela Murray

NSTU President grateful for outpouring of support

NSTU president Liette Doucet says she is touched by the outpouring of support displayed for NSTU public school members across Nova Scotia today. She says it's clear Nova Scotians have been unhappy with the treatment of students and teachers by the McNeil government.

"Today the government reversed course on a piece of legislation that was unfair to students and teachers because thousands of Nova Scotians came out and rallied in support of a better education system," says Doucet.

Doucet is also concerned with inaccurate information released by Education Minister Karen Casey at a news conference today.

"NSTU sent the Department of Education final clarification to our work-to-rule plan on Friday afternoon at 5 pm. It's unfortunate the Minister still chose to lock students out of school today."

NSTU will be holding a rally for better classroom conditions at Province House tomorrow (December 6) starting at 5 pm.

-30-

For further information: Angela Murray, NSTU Public Relations Coordinator, Direct: 902-479-4708, Cell: 902-497-0194, amurray@staff.nstu.ca, twitter: @NSTeachersUnion