



March 31st, 2022

### **Open Letter to Amy's Kitchen**

*After careful consideration, worker-owners at Other Avenues Grocery Coop have voted to boycott Amy's Kitchen products until Amy's Kitchen workers' concerns are resolved to the workers' satisfaction. These concerns include, but are not limited to: workplace safety, improved and affordable health care, and a living wage.*

*On February 26, Amy's Kitchen workers called for a boycott of Amy's Kitchen products in order to elicit a response by management to a complaint filed through Cal/OSHA on behalf of numerous workers. That complaint alleges "workplace injuries, hazardous conditions, unfair employee treatment, hostility from managers, and faulty machinery."*

*As a worker-owned cooperative it is important for us to work with companies who adhere to upstanding labor practices. Upon hearing the workers' upsetting reports in mid-January, our buyers immediately stopped ordering Amy's Kitchen products. We stand with Amy's workers, as well as the other cooperatives and food justice organizations that have joined the boycott, such as Mandela Grocery Co-op, Veggie Mijas, and the Food Empowerment Project. Like them, we are concerned that the majority of affected workers are black and brown women, and are disappointed that this abuse originates from one of our favorite local Northern California vendors.*

*Other Avenues will cease its boycott of Amy's Kitchen products only when Amy's Kitchen workers express that management has met their demands.*

*Sincerely,*

**The Worker-Owners of Other Avenues Grocery Cooperative**