

Hours spent outside the factory in a strike gave me direction; I wasn't a worker, but I felt accountable.

Safety failures and unreasonable pay brought the workers of my father's factory into the streets, and I was standing with them. This was the time when I realized how collective action shapes dignity.

First, I applied this lesson to reshape the student council in my school. Now, I'm determined to study economics to create fair labor systems that make people heard.