

RESOLUTION

Offering support for UNITE HERE International Union and UNITE HERE Local 5 in its labor dispute with Marriott Corporation

WHEREAS working people and our unions in the United States are under direct and severe attack by corporate employers and their political representatives in power in the federal government and in many states, and

WHEREAS corporations, including hotel owner and operation corporations, are currently amassing record profits and have also received very significant windfall revenues through the large corporate tax cuts enacted by the federal government earlier this year, and

WHEREAS UNITE HERE International Union has launched a contract campaign this fall with its largest employer, the Marriott Corporation, and,

WHEREAS the campaign is characterized by the slogan “One Job Should Be Enough”, which represents the needs and aspirations of all workers in every industry, and points out that working people are being denied the benefits of prosperity in a time of increasing corporate profits, and

WHEREAS the UNITE HERE contract campaign may result in strike activity in multiple cities, and

WHEREAS those cities include Boston, San Francisco, San Diego, San Jose, Seattle, Detroit and Honolulu, and

WHEREAS over 3500 hotel workers in Hawaii may be on strike, with thousands more intending to join the strike in other cities, and

WHEREAS 95% of Local 5 members voted to authorize a strike against Marriott, with similar high approval percentages in other cities, and

WHEREAS a successful strike by hotel workers to defend themselves from hostile employers and government institutions, and to secure a fair share of the record profits currently being generated by hotel employers, will help all unions in their organization of members and in their relations with their own employers, and

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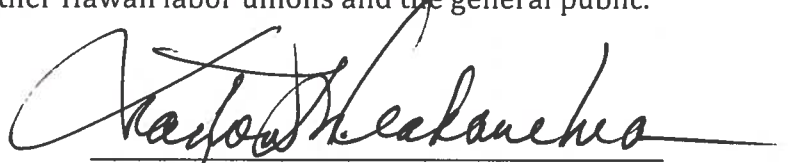
WHEREAS public demonstrations of labor solidarity benefit all of the labor movement, and

WHEREAS unionized workers on strike need every bit of support and sustenance they can gather in order to win, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the United Public Workers, AFSCME, Local 646, AFL-CIO supports the hotel workers' strike against Marriott, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the United Public Workers, AFSCME, Local 646, AFL-CIO commits to assist UNITE HERE in building solidarity and support for its strike among labor unions, political leaders and others in the community, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the United Public Workers, AFSCME, Local 646, AFL-CIO will publicly communicate its support for the UNITE HERE strike to UNITE HERE and its members, as well as other Hawaii labor unions and the general public.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dayton M. Nakanelua", written over a horizontal line.

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