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Resolution in Support of 2018 Workers Memorial Day on April 29, 2018

Whereas, Workers Memorial Day commemorates the workers who have been injured and killed on the job and also brings together today's fight to protect health and safety on the job; and

Whereas, there is a continuing problem of workplace bullying, particularly against whistleblowers as well as racist and sexual harassment against workers; and

Whereas, workers' health and safety is under threat; and

Whereas, it is critical that all workers speak out for our health and safety and the protection of our lives on the job; and

Whereas, immigrant undocumented workers face increasing threats that make them even more fearful of reporting serious health and safety problems; and

Whereas Cal-OSHA is severely underfunded and there are more fish and game inspectors than OSHA inspectors for California's 18.5 million workers; and

Whereas in late 2017, California Governor Jerry Brown's Department of Finance instructed the Department of Industrial Relations to cut 21 Cal/OSHA field inspector positions and by March 2018, Cal/OSHA was stripped of 16 field enforcement positions, with at least another five to be eliminated by June 30th; and

Whereas, the offices most affected by the cuts are ones that respond to worker complaints about unsafe conditions and investigate serious injuries and deaths; and

Whereas, we need to support workers in their struggle to defend their health and safety; and

Whereas, the Trump administration is threatening the functioning of OSHA and is proposing measures that threaten the health and safety of workers throughout the US,

Therefore be it Resolved the San Francisco Labor Council supports the 2018 Workers Memorial Day on April 29, 2018 at ILWU Local 34 and urges all affiliated locals to publicize and participate.

Submitted by Allan Fisher, AFT Local 2121 and Rodger Scott, AFT 2121, and adopted by the San Francisco Labor Council on April 9, 2018.

Respectfully,

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