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Resolution in Support of SF April 28, 2009 Workers Memorial Day Event

Whereas, April 28, 2009 is an international day of commemoration for injured workers and workers killed on the job; and

Whereas, the elimination of all doctors at Ca-OSHA has threatened the health and safety protection of California's 17 million workers; and

Whereas, the introduction of new technology such as biotech and nanotechnology without proper oversight can and has become a threat to workers and our communities; and

Whereas, the deregulation of workers compensation has harmed injured workers and their families in California and throughout the country; and

Whereas, many of these workers have been forced onto SSI, Disability Insurance and other state and local agencies to cover their healthcare costs which is cost-shifting; and

Whereas, senior workers in many industries have been forced into retirement due to their disabilities on the job and discrimination against them due to their disabilities and age including at the US Post Office and other industries; and

Whereas, all working people and their families whether working or injured are entitled to full healthcare,

Therefore be it resolved the San Francisco Labor Council endorses and supports a Workers Memorial Day event on April 28, 2009 in San Francisco at ILWU Local 34 and encourages it's affiliates to publicize and participate in this California Coalition for Workers Memorial Day CCWMD www.workersmemorialday.org initiated memorial for injured workers and for workers who have been killed on the job and this Council calls for the rebuilding of Ca-OSHA and Federal OSHA and the strengthening of all protective regulations including the hiring of medical staff including Ca-OSHA doctors who can help protect California workers and

Be it Finally Resolved this Council will seek concurrence by all affiliate bodies and the California Federation of Labor.

Submitted by Brother Carl Bryant, NALC 214, and adopted by the San Francisco Labor Council on April 13, 2009.

Respectfully,

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