

## **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AMMENDING THE LABOR COUNCIL'S POSITION ON THE GREE NEW DEAL**

THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the San Francisco Labor Council, AFL-CIO, goes on record to request the AFL-CIO endorse House Resolution 109 and Senate Resolution 59 -Recognizing the Duty of the Federal Government to Create a Green New Deal, and urges all Congressional Representatives to cosponsor the Resolutions.

Rationale for amending:

1. The Green New Deal Congressional Resolutions have strong labor provisions which include union jobs with prevailing wages, and a fair and just transition for impacted workers and frontline communities (see the many sections highlighted on the word doc provided, and check this link to see HR 109)

<https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-resolution/109/text>

2. Currently 103 members of Congress are co-sponsors of the House and Senate Resolutions, including Kamala Harris, Barbara Lee, Jackie Spier, Ro Khanna, including all major presidential candidates. However, many more co-sponsors are needed to bring the promise of the Green New Deal into reality.

3. The AFL-CIO has not endorsed the Green New Deal Congressional Resolutions. We urge them to do so. SEIU 1021 endorsed the framework of the Green New Deal in December 2018, and on April 4, 2019, SEIU 1021 San Francisco COPE moved to urge our SEIU International to endorse the Green New Congressional Resolutions.

4. The Resolutions make clear that climate change and pollution have exacerbated systemic racial, regional, social and economic injustices disproportionately affecting communities of color and migrant communities. The Resolutions state that a fair and just transition must stop current, prevent future and repair historic oppression of frontline communities, defined as "indigenous peoples, communities of color, migrant communities, deindustrialized communities, depopulated rural communities, the poor, low-income workers, women, the elderly, the unhoused, people with disabilities, and youth"

5. Extreme weather and pollution hit workers and marginalized communities the hardest.. The affluent can afford to move into resilient cities like SF while our members and families are displaced to live farther from their workplaces, to locations with worse air quality, less public transport, and fewer resources to deal with the effects of climate crisis. This exacerbates the housing crisis and income inequality. The leadership of the Labor Movement needs to push politicians to move faster and confront the climate crisis with the broad action Science demands: Endorse the Green New Deal Congressional Resolutions!