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Resolution Opposing Statewide Do Not Mail Registry

Whereas the citizens of the City and County of San Francisco as well as the entire State of California are experiencing one of our deepest economic recessions in the past 50 years; and

Whereas the United States Postal Service makes up one third of the entire federal workforce in California of which over **90% are unionized craft employees**; and

Whereas direct (advertising and non-profit) mail account for more than 50% of mail delivered by the postal service; and

Whereas establishing a "Do Not Mail" registry would be an extremely negative development for the continued employment of union letter carriers, clerks, mailers, and postal patrons alike; and

Whereas if we were unable to deliver that mail to our customers, it would slash our revenues and adversely affect service levels in ways we can't begin to predict; and

Whereas other unions such as the Laborers International and the International Association of Machinists also have jobs that rely upon the United States Postal Service

Therefore be it Resolved that the San Francisco Labor Council goes on record opposing any action of the San Francisco Supervisors to pass a resolution requesting a Statewide Do Not Mail Registry, and

Be it Further Resolved that the San Francisco Labor Council will bring its full support and assistance in defeating any such resolution brought forward by the City and County of San Francisco Board of Supervisors, whether in committee or by an action of the full board, and

Be it Finally Resolved that the San Francisco Labor Council transmits this resolution to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors and all State Assembly and Senate Representatives which represent the City and County of San Francisco as well as to the California State Federation of Labor.

Submitted by John Beaumont, NALC 214, and adopted by the San Francisco Labor Council on January 12, 2009.

Respectfully,



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