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## **Resolution of Solidarity in Support of an International Day of Protest Against the Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP) on January 31, 2014**

Whereas, the Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP) which is now being “fast tracked” in Congress has been composed and negotiated secretly; and

Whereas, the TPP (known as NAFTA on steroids) will force more deregulation, privatization and union busting on an international scale; and

Whereas, TPP like NAFTA is likely to lower wages for US workers, degrade health and safety conditions for Mexican workers and the public and allow for destruction of unionized jobs on both sides of the border through privatization and outsourcing; and

Whereas, banks and other corporate interests have used TPP style deregulation to threaten national resources and to destroy human and labor rights for greater profits; and

Whereas, much of this TPP agreement has been written by corporate interests and negotiated in stealth to the point where even US Senators have been prevented from getting information on the effects of this agreement; and

Whereas, labor, human rights advocates and environmentalists have all united to oppose the Congressional fast track process which prevents any real debate and discussion on the affects of this legislation which also overrides US environmental laws and regulations; and

Whereas, TPP will lead to the ruination of national health care in Japan, Korea, Australia and New Zealand and is being pushed by big Pharma to keep drug prices high in Asia and the Americas through expected TPP drug patent extensions and other means; and

Whereas, TPP will force its participating countries to accept pesticides and GMO products that will threaten the health and safety of their people and also threaten our health and safety; and

Whereas, unions in South Korea, Japan, Australia, New Zealand and other countries are also opposed to this agreement for many of the reasons listed above; and

Whereas, the TPP is harmful to all working people in the US and in all countries and is opposed by the AFL-CIO, CWA, Teamsters, AFSCME and the entire US labor movement,

Therefore be it Resolved that the San Francisco Labor Council calls for our US Senate and US Congressional Representatives to publicly oppose the TPP and the fast track process created to railroad it into law and

Therefore be it Finally Resolved that the San Francisco Labor Council supports the International Day of Protest against the TPP on Friday, January 31, 2014.

Submitted by George Gaboury, NABET 51, and adopted by the San Francisco Labor Council on January 27, 2014.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tim Paulson", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Tim Paulson  
Executive Director

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