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## RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF JOURNALISTS IN TURKEY

WHEREAS the people have the right to be informed about the issues and events affecting them;  
and

WHEREAS journalistic freedom is essential to the open flow of information on said issues and events; and

WHEREAS, according to the Confederation of Progressive Trade Unions of Turkey (DiSK), hundreds of cases of harsh treatment of Turkish and foreign journalists, news outlets, websites and social media took place in Turkey between July 27 and August 28, 2015; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the San Francisco Labor Council joins Turkey's Solidarity Network Against Censorship (including the Journalists Union of Turkey), Alternative Media Association, DiSK's press branch, the International Federation of Journalists and the Pacific Media Workers Guild (The NewsGuild-CWA Local 39521) in protesting the systematic targeting and repression of journalists and news media in Turkey, and in calling on the Turkish Government to halt these abhorrent practices; and that the San Francisco Labor Council hereby declares its solidarity with Turkey's journalists and news media and the working people whom they serve.

Submitted Richard Knee, Vice President, Pacific Media Workers Guild CWA Local 39521, and adopted by the Executive Committee of the San Francisco Labor Council on February 1, 2016 and the Delegate Body of the San Francisco Labor Council on February 8, 2016.

Respectfully,

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*Confirming resource:*

***Thousands Protest Arrest of 2 Turkish Journalists on Spying Charges***  
<http://www.nytimes.com/2015/11/28/world/europe/thousands-protest-arrest-of-2-turkish-journalists-on-spying-charges.html?ref=world>

