



RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF TOURISM WORKERS

WHEREAS the tourism and travel industry is a major economic engine in Los Angeles, yet many workers at airports and in hotels are struggling to keep a roof over their heads and support their families; As Los Angeles prepares to host the 2026 World Cup and the 2028 Olympics; in 2022, the U.S. hotel industry reported average daily rate and revenue per available room that were the highest for any year on record, and TSA 2023 checkpoint travel volume exceeds 2019's travel volume, while LAX is expanding and Los Angeles is number one in the nation for new hotel rooms; and

WHEREAS the workers that keep the tourism industry functioning, safe, and profitable – including hotel housekeepers, LAX janitors and security guards, airplane cabin cleaners, airline catering workers, airline passenger service workers, LAX restaurant and retail workers – are primarily from BIPOC and immigrant communities and are facing housing insecurity as housing costs in Los Angeles rise, meaning that at the current living wage levels an LAX or hotel worker would have to work 17 hours a day to afford adequate housing; and

WHEREAS thousands of tourism workers and their families were among the hardest hit during the pandemic, yet many now lack quality health insurance, as the health benefits requirement in the Los Angeles Living Wage Ordinance (LWO) has not kept up with the rising costs of family health insurance coverage according to an April 2022 report presented by the Los Angeles City Administrative Officer to Los Angeles City Council in compliance with the LWO; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Los Angeles County Democratic Party supports increasing Los Angeles/Long Beach Hotel and Airport Worker wages to \$25/hr now and increasing to \$30/hr by 2028 including quality health care, and worker protections, as a matter of economic justice, housing justice, and public safety;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Los Angeles County Democratic Party stands in solidarity with workers and their unions UNITE HERE Local 11 and SEIU USWW in their fight to improve workplace conditions in the Los Angeles and Long Beach tourism industry, including as they take action to win stronger contracts, respect and dignity.

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SUPPORT LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT WORKERS

WHEREAS the 30,000 Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) school workers represented by Service Employees International Union Local 99 are cafeteria workers, custodians, special education assistants, after school workers, bus drivers and thousands of other frontline staff that support student learning – inside and outside the classroom; and

WHEREAS one in three SEIU Local 99 members report having been homeless or on the brink of homelessness while working at LAUSD, while at the same time the state has seen the highest per-pupil funding rate in California history; and

WHEREAS members of SEIU Local 99 have been negotiating with LAUSD since April 2022, demanding equitable wage increases, more full-time work, respectful treatment, and increased staffing levels for improved student services;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Los Angeles County Democratic Party stands with SEIU Local 99 workers in their pursuit of equitable wage increases, full-time employment and respect in the workplace; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Los Angeles County Democratic Party calls on members of the Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education to support fruitful negotiations that address the needs of LAUSD workers.

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