Resolution No. 2 - In Memoriam

WHEREAS, it is fitting at each Convention that we pause to remember our sisters and brothers who were instrumental in advancing our Union to its current position of power and prestige, but who have passed away since our most recent Convention; and

WHEREAS, words alone are never adequate to eulogize those who gave so much towards the establishment and continued progress of our Union and whose lasting contributions to the USW and to the Labor Movement serve as monuments to their memories; and

WHEREAS, since our Union's convention in 2011, we were saddened by the deaths of; former USW International President, Lynn R. Williams, former USW Vice Presidents Leon Lynch and Andrew (Lefty) Palm, former USW Directors David Wilson, Emmett Bruce Thrasher, and Anthony Rainaldi, former President of the International Union of Petroleum and Industrial Workers, George Beltz, former Secretary-Treasurer of the United Rubber Workers, Glenn F. Ellison, former UPIU Vice Presidents Clifton E. King, J. Gilbert Hay, Marshall A. Smith, Lowell Dunaway, and Kenneth Hendershott, former AIW Director James B. Arnold, former IWA-Canada President Jack Munro, and former OCAW Director Carl Bachmann; and

WHEREAS, we are also saddened by the passing of the following members of our international staff and retired staff employees who have passed away since our 2011 Convention:

Joseph E. Thompson        George T. Wright        Pauline A. McClenathan
Louise G. Johnson          Hugh Jack Strunk        Mary Joyce Draper
William L. George          Roger Bedard            Norman J. Mayo
Gertrude Jacobs            Warren R. Harris        Jack Sandefur
Gerald A. Worden           William Humphreys       Gerald Pickarts
Earl Ray Campbell          Edward R. Chase         Vernon J. Bowers
Sheryl Anne Stephens       Mary S. Gasparovic      Florence Ageitos
George Roach               Jewell G. Henson        John Butrum
Mary Tierno                Marion Dean             Cynthia J. Sopirak
Lois J. Weinperl           Robert Wolfram          Frederick Stroud
John Ostroski  Mary Helen Fice  Mary R. Hutchison
Don A. Collard  Mary Sylvia Kieding  Roy C. Santa Cruz
Charlene M. Wight  Gary Fuslier  John W. Herron
Terrance Stevens  John W. Eckman  Jack R. Hill
Andrew Shelton  James Summerville  Guy M. Hartless
Bobby Ray Davis  Carolyn Langston  James Mosley
Danny Fuqua  Joyce H. Trebbe  Billy H. Hutchinson
Haymond Turner  Laurence D. McCarty  Deborah Lord
John D. Hocking  Albert Kiefer  Carol Henson
Helen Hill  Gilbert H. Gilchrist  Henry Gardner
Paul L. Palermo  Larry O. Brown  Ellen A. Berninger-Zaus
William A. Wilikins  Joe F. Johnson  Bernard English
James W. Lawrence  John R. Joyce  Josephine S. Brooks
Homer Seguin  John L. Harding  Roy Woodward
Marthe Cote  Dolores A. Ess  Jean-Marc Carle
Raymond A. Nocente  Charles W. Pflugh  Patricia Lombardo
Michael G. Bliss  Anthony Vasco, Jr.  Anna Schmitt
Doris M. McAvoy  Edward J. Jefferson  Bradley L. Smoyer
John B. Stokes  Arnold Price  Molly C, McClellan
Sylvia R. Leinberger  Dallas V. Howard  Russell E. Hall
Ann Sherriton  Jean C. Carbonneau  Devon N. Bergholtz
Antonio Sanchez  Clarence W. Disney  Peter Marsala
Loren H. Brantley  Harold Fisk  Frederick J. Cosgrave
Jack Blasio  Mary Elizabeth Moore  Alfred Twardowski
James J. Brady  Claire L. MacKay  Joseph E. Jacobs
Robert E. Coomer  Betty J. Casmus  John E. Stanley
Irma Jean Wilson  Vera E. Roode  Mary Helen Vale
Janice Harpold        Virginia Rodgers        Doris Bucklew
Francis X. Wall      Clarence I. Turner      Mitchell Barnik
Carl F. Demengo       Lenice L. Nielsen       Henry A. Breig
James W. Lennon       Walter G. Jackson       Robert W. Kurtz
Donald Ravetto        Ralph T. Gurley         Allen Ropp
Barbara Keifert       Norma Webb              Robert Arceo
Alyce Kiel            Anthony Sweeney          Angeline Primerano
Pleza Watson          Edward Rubenstein        Ethel M. Walters
Jack Munro            Ruby S. Johns             Ronald E. Bitonti
James O. Elliott      Dallas E. Alexander      Florence Griffin
Andre Gravel          Burl Hand               Henrietta Ott
Myrtle Krejci         Larry A. Rose            Jean Nickolas
Jack Law              Charlene Crouch          Lynn Probst
Eleanor Coddin        Mary J. Cook             George Williamson
Celistine Roberto     Annie S. Lane            Stanley Woodfin
Lalajoyce Yaklin      Jimmy R. Oden            Harold Hunsaker
Richard Corcoran      Joseph P. Yeager         Gloria Asbury
George E. Teal        Jerry G. Storms          Mary M. Morgan
Louis Burgo           Estal B. Watson          Alfred L. Larmann Sr.
Nancy A. Pickett      Jerry W. Flournoy        William R. Thompson
Mark Scott            Joseph Clark             Lenora Lee
Dennis Leazier        John Yglesias            Owen Girten
Donald G. Mattson     Jeffrey MacDonald        William Nugent
Leonard Samson        Annie S. Cooper          Audrey Stevens
Agnes Stewart         Arthur L. Whitaker        Doris Andersen
Danny Wirges          Mark Bloomier             Ghay E. Holcomb
Thomas Craig Hemsley  Donald Daniel            Carmelo Spadaro
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we offer this memorial tribute to all of those Union leaders and members who have passed away since our 2011 Convention. They have passed away, but will never be forgotten.