railroadworkersunited.org ● info@railroadworkersunited.org (206) 736-0417 ● PO Box 1053, Salem, IL 62881

## 8 - RWU Resolution on Solidarity with Other Worker and Social Movements

Whereas, no sector of the working class – including railroad workers - can achieve its goals and objective alone and in a vacuum; and

Whereas, numerous worker and social movements are afoot today in North America that deserve the support of - and collaboration with - railroad workers; and

Whereas, when railroad workers stand with other exploited and oppressed peoples, our solidarity can assist them to win, and as a result, these sectors of the working class are far more likely to stand in solidarity with railroaders and help us to win our battles; and

**Whereas**, the focus and function of RWU is and always will be first and foremost to defend the interests of railroad workers by building solidarity, unity and democracy among railroad workers of North America; and

Whereas; the RWU Statement of Principles is and always will be the guiding principles upon which this organization is built; and

Whereas, to continue to be successful, RWU must never waiver in our commitment to be such a railroad workers' organization; and

Whereas, RWU understands that to achieve our goals we oftentimes need the support of other workers, other organizations and other sectors of society to stand with us;

Therefore, Be it Resolved that RWU stands in solidarity with worker and social movements that challenge the existing power structure, the control of society, the economy and the political process by corporations and the wealthy; and

**Be it Further Resolved** that RWU will adopt resolutions, make donations, and take action in support of specific causes as they arise and are brought to the attention of the membership, the Steering Committee and the Convention, and

**Be it Finally Resolved** that while RWU may take solidarity action and support other groups, formations and movements, RWU will remain steadfastly autonomous from - and independent of - any and all of them.

To be presented to the delegates at the 5<sup>th</sup> RWU Biennial Convention This Resolution comes with a recommendation of Adoption from the RWU Steering Committee