

SUPPORT OF CAMPUS EQUITY WEEK

Whereas, union members know that part-time America does not work; and

Whereas, community colleges, four-year colleges, and universities across the United States and Canada have been relying increasingly on the exploitation of part-time and temporary faculty and graduate assistants; and

Whereas, these contingent workers are generally paid at a rate that makes a mockery of the principle of equal pay for equal work, and have little or no job security; and

Whereas, the overuse of exploited part-time and temporary faculty seriously harms the quality of instruction and service that students need and deserve, and for which they pay substantial tuition rates; and

Whereas, the public needs to understand the harmful effects of this exploitation if it is to be stopped; and

Whereas, a coalition of activists and international unions--including the AFT and the CWA--has designated the week of October 28 through Nov. 3 as CAMPUS EQUITY WEEK, and is organizing a variety of activities, rallies, and media events across the United States and Canada in order to educate the public about these abuses; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Oregon AFL-CIO endorses CAMPUS EQUITY WEEK; and therefore be it further

RESOLVED, that the Oregon AFL-CIO will inform members and affiliates about CAMPUS EQUITY WEEK, and will urge their support of its principles.