



Resolution to Create an Economy That Works for All People

Passed by the Washtenaw County Democratic Party Executive Committee on January 7, 2017

Whereas: The Executive Committee of the Washtenaw County Democratic Party is committed to supporting working people and working families in their struggles for economic security;

Whereas: Our goal is to build a mass movement in Washtenaw County to fight injustice and create an economy that works for all people;

Whereas: We must be a dynamic, fighting Democratic Party; and

Whereas: Our principles as the Democratic Party must be articulated, adopted, and acted upon; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Washtenaw County Democratic Party:

- 1) will fight privatization efforts and will not endorse privatization advocates or union busters;
- 2) will support the rights of all workers to organize, support candidates who advocate for unionization, partner with and support unionization efforts locally, and fight all efforts to demoralize or demonize unions;
- 3) will work to create a legally mandated living wage indexed to inflation, and endorse candidates who support a legally mandated living wage;
- 4) will protect and expand good, secure defined-benefit pensions; advocate for earned sick leave and affordable, public childcare programs; work to support the development of affordable housing, partner with unions and employers to provide job training; work to eliminate all pay disparities which can be attributed largely to sexism, racism, or other forms of discrimination; and protect jobs from outsourcing;
- 5) will insist on the use of the prevailing wage on all construction projects, as well as protecting existing prevailing wage ordinances, and supporting the adoption of certified payroll reports that verify workers received their proper wages; and
- 6) will encourage all businesses, non-profit organizations, and public entities to use union contractors/businesses for public services and construction.

Be it further resolved that: When employers violate the principles put forward in this resolution, the WC DP will take action by supporting and publicizing boycotts of those employers.