



League of United Latin American Citizens

RESOLUTION TO COMBAT CLIMATE CHANGE AND PROTECT WORKERS

WHEREAS, consensus exists among the world's leading climate scientists that global warming caused by emissions of greenhouse gases from burning fossil fuels is among the most significant problems facing the world today; and

WHEREAS, global warming is expected to have a disproportionate impact on those living in poverty, in the least developed countries, on the elderly and children and those least responsible for the emissions of greenhouse gases; and

WHEREAS, all people deserve to live and work in environments that do not pose a threat to their health and livelihood; and

WHEREAS, we have a responsibility to our children and grandchildren to be good stewards of our common home, our planet, and to leave them with cleaner air and water and an abundant, resource-rich natural world; and

WHEREAS, the Paris Agreement resulted in a commitment from almost every nation on Earth to take action and enact programs to limit global temperature increase to less than two degrees Celsius, with an expectation that this goal would be reduced to 1.5 degrees in the future; and

WHEREAS, LULAC can provide leadership to help stop climate change, move the country off its dependence on fossil fuels and to also provide justice and good jobs to people who currently depend upon those industries to support their families;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the League of United Latin American Citizens:

1. Joins the fight to make clean air and water a human right, the fight to establish environmental justice in all communities, and the fight to combat climate change; and
2. Acknowledges both the urgency of our climate and pollution crisis and the need to develop new jobs based on a transition to clean energy for millions of working people in our country; and
3. Stands in solidarity with our corporate partners, government agencies, colleges and universities, labor unions, armed forces, and non-profit organizations who seek climate solutions, who support the Paris Agreement, and are in support of action to stop climate change; and
4. Commits to working with all who insist that any transition from a fossil fuel dependent economy to a clean energy economy must provide for a just transition for all workers and communities whose lives and livelihoods will be impacted.

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