

# RWU Resolution on Universal Labor Solidarity

**Whereas**, Rail Labor has played a key role historically in the greater labor movement and the formation of other movements in various sectors of the economy; and

**Whereas**, we as rail workers are dependent upon the fortunes of the rest of the labor movement; and

**Whereas**, rail workers operate in practically every state of the U.S. and Mexico, and in every province of Canada; and

**Whereas**, rail workers, by the nature of our industry, interact directly and/or indirectly with practically all other workers in most all industries; and

**Whereas**, we as rail workers have tremendous potential to work in solidarity with other brothers and sisters who are engaged in conflict with their employer; and

**Whereas**, solidarity is a two-way street -- when we assist and support our fellow workers in industry, we can rest assured that we will then have their support in our struggles with the Rail Carriers;

**Therefore, Be it Resolved**, that Railroad Workers United (RWU) at its Founding Convention in Dearborn, Michigan, April 11, 2008 acknowledge our support for and dependence upon the greater labor movement and the working class; and

**Be in Further Resolved** that RWU work to build bridges between rail labor, rail workers and the greater labor movement; and

**Be it Finally Resolved** that RWU pledges to support workers who are engaged in struggle with their employer, and to encourage all rail workers to always honor and support the picket lines and strikes of any and all workers and their labor unions.

*The above Resolution was adopted by those members assembled at the RWU Convention, April 11, 2008.*