



# UAW Local 4121

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Whereas, UAW Local 4121 members experience the impacts of the budget crisis and UW's response to it on multiple levels: including as workers who are having our jobs slashed with the reduction of courses and key educational services (such as tutoring centers), as workers whose grants are strained by increasing tuition and loss of critical staff, and as students who are struggling to pay for our education and get the courses and academic support we need;

Whereas, UAW Local 4121 members have joined other students, workers, and community allies in the fight for a progressive vision of education in Washington; and applauds the efforts of other campus groups and unions to participate in a National Day of Action on March 4<sup>th</sup>, especially the resolution adopted by UAW Local 2865 on January 30, 2010 and AFSCME/WFSE Local 1488 on February 20, 2010;

Whereas the combined strength of students and workers increases our chances of defeating both furloughs and tuition hikes;

Whereas, UAW Local 4121 sees our upcoming contract negotiations as part of this broad movement to defend jobs and public education;

Be it resolved, UAW Local 4121 endorses the "National March 4 Strike and Day of Action to Defend Public Education;" and specifically on the UW campus endorses the "Student Strike" called by the U.W. Student Worker Coalition on March 4<sup>th</sup> and commits its resources and leadership in supporting membership participation in campus, statewide, and national actions.

Further, UAW Local 4121 encourages members to participate in the Day of Action and UW Student Worker Coalition "Student Strike" on their personal time, and also for those members who teach or tutor during this time to not retaliate against or otherwise hinder students who take part in the strike.

Further, UAW Local 4121 also calls on all other unions, labor organizations and progressive communities to endorse the March 4 mobilizations and commit resources to making it the broadest, most effective movement possible.