



Communications Workers of America Executive Board Resolution: The Re-Election of President Joe Biden

In the last few years, workers across the country from a variety of backgrounds, locations, and industries have formed a powerful movement to reinvigorate the labor movement and build power for the working class.

CWA is dedicated to growing our power in the workplace, building a labor movement stronger than ever before, and protecting and revitalizing our democracy. To realize this vision, we need partners in public office who will join with us to grow power for working people. Because of his unquestionable commitment to empowering working people, CWA wholeheartedly endorses Joe Biden for re-election as President of the United States.

When President Biden took office in January 2021, our nation and workers were struggling. Just weeks before, a treasonous group of rioters inspired by Donald Trump attempted to overturn the results of a democratic election with violence. The nation was consumed by an out-of-control pandemic wreaking havoc on our communities. And unemployment and supply chain shortages wreaked havoc on families.

Since the day he took office, President Biden has fought to make progress for the working class, no matter the obstacles in his way. He stood steadfast in protecting our democracy, successfully guided our nation out of the pandemic, and oversaw the creation of millions of jobs.

President Biden has fought alongside CWA every step of the way to grow power for working people. He invested over \$40 billion in job-creating broadband infrastructure projects and included the first ever labor standards on any federal broadband funding to ensure that the money supports good jobs. He provided badly needed support at the height of the pandemic to prevent layoffs of public sector workers, flight attendants and passenger service agents. Biden has also acted to create good jobs for decades to come by strengthening Buy American laws and investing in American-made computer chips and renewable energy.

Biden has been the most pro-labor president in any of our lifetimes. He has appointed friends of the working class to the National Labor Relations Board and the National Mediation Board, who are working to make sure that our rights to organize, bargain and strike are respected. His Secretary of Labor Marty Walsh was the strongest ally workers have ever had at the Department of Labor. He has set up a task force to identify any possible ways to strengthen the right to organize by executive action. Through that task force CWA rank and file members have met with Secretary Walsh, Vice President Harris, and President Biden himself to share their

stories. He has been a constant champion of the PRO Act in the face of ruthless corporate opposition.

President Biden has also enacted policies to lower prescription drug prices and energy costs, to strengthen pension plans, to improve workplace safety standards, to bring real transparency and accountability to the Wall Street funds that routinely attack CWA employers, and more. He is a true partner for the CWA and the labor movement in the White House.

In contrast, President Biden's opponents have shown that they are no friends of the working class and no friends of our democracy.

Donald Trump loudly broadcast conspiracy theories across the country by any means he could to undermine faith in our democracy. He himself deliberately inspired the violence that was designed to overturn a democratic election. He fomented hatred at every opportunity to divide us based on our backgrounds. His main policy achievement was a giant tax cut for billionaires and for companies that ship money and jobs out of the country. Trump is simply unfit for public office.

Ron DeSantis has also adopted an approach designed to empower the wealthy while dividing the rest of us. As Governor of Florida, he prioritized passing legislation which will make it much more difficult for essential public service workers across the state to have a union voice, including thousands of CWA members. He has championed extreme measures to limit access to information and silence opposition, including banning protests outside of the state capitol building, prohibiting picketing in residential areas, and enacting a blanket book ban. He has constantly scapegoated the least powerful to try and avoid accountability for the problems that he and his corporate allies created. His policy priorities are wrong for working people and especially CWA members..

RESOLVED: The Communications Workers of America enthusiastically supports the re-election of President Joe Biden.

RESOLVED: CWA will organize, educate and mobilize our members to support President Biden's re-election, to elect members of Congress who support our work to rebuild power for working people, and to ensure that everyone understands what is at stake in this election.