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**SAFETY PROTECTIONS IN THE WORKPLACE**

**WHEREAS:** The Ohio AFL-CIO is the strongest advocate and meaningful “voice” for working families in Ohio; and

**WHEREAS:** The Ohio AFL-CIO represents many different sectors of our states’ economy in the private and public sector; and

**WHEREAS:** It is the Ohio AFL-CIO’s mission to protect the rights of workers at their workplace, promote fair and equal treatment of all workers, and provide safety from recognized hazards; and

**WHEREAS:** The Trump Administration has proposed rolling back many safeguards for working men and women including ventilation regulations in mining and silica and beryllium standards; and

**WHEREAS:** The Trump Administrations 2019 Budget includes the elimination of the Occupational Safety and Health Worker Training Program, the Chemical Safety Board and the Older Worker Program and includes funding cuts of over \$1.5 Billion for the National Labor Relations Board, the NIOSH job safety research budget, coal mine safety enforcement, employment and training services, unemployment insurance and employment services, the Jobs Corp and Federal Contract Compliance Programs and the Woman’s Bureau.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Ohio AFL-CIO and its affiliates, communicate to its members and their communities the proposed cuts that would leave our nation’s workforce less trained, less safe and less protected.

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That Ohio AFL-CIO and its affiliates stand united and strong against the proposed eliminations and cuts in the Trump Administrations 2019 budget, by communicating with Federal, State and Local politicians, educating them on the drastic effects the cuts would have on workers and the communities in which they live.

**Submitted by: United Steelworkers District 1**