

Resolution to Protect Our Members from ICE

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WHEREAS on January 7, 2026, Renee Good, a 37-year-old American citizen, was killed by United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agent in Minnesota; and

WHEREAS on January 7, 2026, New York City Council staffer Rafael Andres Rubio Bohorquez was unlawfully detained by ICE during a routine court appearance in Bethpage, NY; and

WHEREAS ICE has terrorized communities across the country, escalating peaceful demonstrations into violent confrontations; and

WHEREAS ICE has been illegally arresting and detaining U.S. citizens alongside permanent residents and legal immigrants without cause; and

WHEREAS Local 1549 members may face danger at the workplace should ICE agents conduct operations near or at their worksite; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that AFSCME Local 1549, NYC Clerical-Administrative Employees:

1. Condemns ICE actions that terrorize the public, undermine the rule of law, and put government employees in danger.
2. Distribute the 2025 AFSCME Immigration Toolkit via the Local 1549 website & social media to educate members about their legal rights and responsibilities when potentially confronting ICE in their workplace.
3. Emphasize that members should be in close contact with their shop stewards and DC 37 grievance representatives for guidance in the event of any situation during their work.
4. Educate members about DC 37 Municipal Employees Legal Services (MELS) benefits and other union resources related to immigration.