

Resolution to Stand in Solidarity with NYC Nurses on Strike

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WHEREAS on Monday, Jan. 12, nearly 15,000 NYC nurses went on strike to protect patient and nurse safety; and

WHEREAS for months, nurses have been bargaining for fair contracts, but management has refused to settle fair contracts that include enforceable safe staffing ratios, guaranteed healthcare benefits for frontline nurses, and protections from workplace violence; and

WHEREAS Article II of the AFSCME constitution states that one objective of our union is “to cooperate with other labor organizations...towards the end that the material riches of American society be more justly distributed and the moral promise of American life be realized”; now, therefore, be it

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

1. Stands in solidarity with the nurses on strike who are fighting to protect patient and nurse safety.
2. Demands that hospital management comes to the bargaining table in good faith to sign a fair contract.
3. Asks Local 1549 members, via Local 1549’s website and social media, to email the CEOs of Montefiore, Mount Sinai, and NewYork-Presbyterian to let them know that our members stand in solidarity with NYSNA nurses at bit.ly/TellHospitalCEOs.
4. Encourages Local 1549 members, in their free time, to join picket lines in the Bronx and Manhattan to demonstrate community support for nurses on strike.