

RESOLUTION #4

**AFT MICHIGAN
71ST CONVENTION
MAY 15, 2010**

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WHEREAS: AFT Michigan has **three major constituencies – Teachers, Support Staff and Higher Education**, as well as locals of city employees and a credit union, and

WHEREAS: These constituencies are all under attack, and

WHEREAS: While some issues are specific to a constituency, most are issues the constituencies have in common, and

WHEREAS: The work of all constituencies is interrelated. Those in the classroom provide the direct education. However, this education could not take place without the support of education staff, and

WHEREAS: The importance of students receiving a postsecondary education and being prepared for that education, be it college or technical/vocational training, provides opportunities for our PreK-12 Teacher and Support Staff constituencies, and Higher Education constituency to work together to further enhance the education of our students, and

WHEREAS: **A union** is only as successful as it is powerful and union power comes from an informed and mobilized membership acting in solidarity with each other; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT**

RESOLVED: That AFT Michigan will work with locals to build solidarity and support across constituencies, and **NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY**

RESOLVED: That AFT Michigan, working through its PreK-12 Teachers, PSRP, and Higher Education committees will develop programs that take advantage of the union's PreK-I6 membership to further enhance the education of our students.

Submitted by:

Detroit Association of Educational Office Employees

AFT Local 4168

Resolutions Committee recommends the resolution be adopted.