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Nancy Olumekor - Retiree Director  
Dr. Pat Williams - Western Regional National Retiree Delegate

Dear Mark, Debby, Liz, Judy, Daleo, Sarah Jane, Nancy, and Pat:

Attached is APWU Constitutional Resolution related to Retirees of the APWU.

We are asking everyone we can vote for in the 2022 National APWU Election if they support this resolution. This resolution does no harm to the APWU in any way. It does improve unification of its members, however.

Your support for the resolution would be greatly appreciated.

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**Constitution Amendment  
ARTICLE 6  
REPRESENTATION**

Southwest Coastal Area Local, APWU

WHEREAS, as the mothers and fathers of the American Postal Workers Union, retired members are a storehouse of knowledge, battle-tested experience, and wisdom to be utilized as a valuable American Postal Workers Union asset, and

WHEREAS, a majority of American Postal Workers Union Retiree Department members paid dues for decades, and

WHEREAS, calculating some estimated 35,000 Retiree Department members, paying full dues an average of just twenty-five (25) years, equates to close to a million years of full dues-paying members in the American Postal Workers Union history, and

WHEREAS, currently with five (5) elected national retiree delegates to the American Postal Workers Union National Convention, one in each region, the average representative voting strength is 1 for 8,000 members, therefore be it

***Resolved*, to amend the American Postal Workers Union Constitution & By-Laws Article 6 "Representation" by adding a new Section 6 and changing current Section 6 to Section 7. New Section 6 to read: Whenever in Article 6, Section 1. there are references to National Conventions, local, state, or regional affiliates, organizations voting strength/representation such provisions will apply to Chartered Local and State Retiree Chapters with the exception that retiree chapters' voting strength/representation will be one (1) vote for one in a hundred (100) members or fraction thereof.**

**Retiree Department members who do not dwell within the jurisdiction of a Local or State Retiree Chapter shall be afforded the same cited proportionate representation in accordance with Article 6, Section 1. (f).**

**Retiree's proposed resolution for the National APWU Convention. It involves Article 6 of the National APWU Constitution.**

*The proposed amendments states: "Resolved, to amend the American Postal Workers Union Constitution & By-Laws Article 6 "Representation" by adding a new Section 6 and changing current Section 6 to Section 7. New Section 6 to read: Whenever in Article 6, Section 1. there are references to National Conventions, local, state, or regional affiliates, organizations voting strength/representation such provisions will apply to Chartered Local and State Retiree Chapters with the exception that retiree chapters' voting strength/representation will be one (1) vote for each hundred (100) members or fraction thereof.*

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1. This resolution only affects the National Convention. It does not have any effect on any local union or state organization.
2. This resolution involves members of the APWU Retiree Department who pay the \$36 annual dues.
3. The resolution would allow retirees who want to attend the national convention the right to vote and speak on issues discussed during the national convention.
4. This proposed change does not permit a member of the Retiree Department the right to run or seek union office at the local, state, or national levels of the APWU.
5. The proposed resolution is a means to make retirees feel as if they are actually a part of the APWU.
6. Retirees were all long-time union members of the APWU. Many were union stewards and officers at all levels of the APWU – local, state, and national. When national needs participation Retirees regularly step up and get involved.

We are asking every member, local union, every state organization, and every national officer support this resolution. It does not harm any APWU member, local, state, or the national union.