SUPPORT FOR THE "MAYDAY \$5K" NATIONAL MOVEMENT FOR JOB STABILITY AND PARITY FOR PART-TIME FACULTY

academic labor crisis;

RESOLVED that AFT promote the Mayday \$5K National Mobilization for Equity as an allied campaign for academic labor fairness, recognizing the value of a national coalition campaign; and

RESOLVED, that AFT support local affiliates that seek to achieve or exceed the Mobilization's goals, especially salaries of at least \$5,000 per three-credit course, and that AFT call national attention to the Mobilization's demands:

- 1. Increase the starting salary of a three-credit course to a minimum of \$5,000 for all instructors in higher education.
- 2. Ensure academic freedom by providing progressively longer contracts for all contingent instructors who have proven themselves during an initial probationary period.
- 3. Provide health insurance for all instructors, either through their college's health insurance system or through the Affordable Care Act.
- 4. Support the quality of education of our students by providing their instructors with necessary office space, individual development support, telephones, email accounts and mail boxes.
- 5. Guarantee fair and equitable access to unemployment benefits when colleges instructors are not working.
- 6. Guarantee eligibility for the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program to all college instructors who have taught for ten years, during which they were repaying their student loans.

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Secretary

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