



General Defense Committee

of the Industrial Workers of the World

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

The General Defense Committee of the Industrial Workers of the World endorses the call for a General Strike by the South Central Federation of Labor (AFL-CIO) and the Madison IWW.

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Direct Actions - massive, coordinated, and aimed at a positive change in our communities, workplaces, and state - are the only method we see that can turn this assault on the working class. Walker and the bosses want to deny our right to negotiate; to make us serfs. Democratic lawmakers have fled the state to avoid this bill's passage. If we want to stop this bill, we must do it ourselves.

We support all labor actions to stop business as usual in Wisconsin. Public AND private sector workers must work together, whether or not they are represented by a union, for our own, mutual interests as members of the working class. All workers will be directly affected by this bill, and private sector workers will be next ...on the chopping block. All workers - Public and Private, Union or non-union - must fight together for our own, mutual interests as members of the working class. The rich work together quite well to try and destroy our unions and wages; now let's show them what we can do!

We ask all workers and workers organizations to endorse the call for a General Strike across Wisconsin. Work stoppages, slowdowns, walk-outs, teach-ins: we encourage all possible means.

Should any workers find themselves incarcerated, the NLG is heading up legal representation, and any worker in need of legal defense should contact the NLG:

Arrest Hotline (day): 608-257-0945

Arrest Hotline (after hours/weekend): 608-658-5168

In Solidarity with the worlds Working Class!

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