## Labor for Our Revolution Press Release

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## Labor leaders issue call to support May 1 "Day without Immigrants" Broad labor support continues to grow

The leaders of four national unions are calling for broad labor support for "A Day Without Immigrants." The union leaders are urging their organizations' local leaders and members to participate in the expected May 1 actions by millions of immigrants who will be striking and marching in cities and towns all across the country. The four unions' combined memberships represent almost one million workers. Click here to read the statement.

The four unions -- part of a new <u>Labor for Our Revolution</u> network -- issued a joint statement of support on April 14, 2017. It was signed by <u>Larry Hanley</u>, President, <u>Amalgamated Transit Union</u>; <u>Chris Shelton</u>, President, <u>Communications Workers of America</u>; <u>RoseAnn DeMoro</u>, Executive Director, <u>National Nurses United</u>; and <u>Peter Knowlton</u>, General President, <u>United Electrical Workers</u>.

Labor for Our Revolution sent the statement to its list of union leaders and activists requesting additional grassroots support, resulting in more than 1,000 union members also "signing on" to the call supporting A Day Without Immigrants. The final signed statement will be shared with the immigrant rights' groups organizing actions on May 1.

"It's gratifying to see that so many members understand the importance of taking a stand with immigrant workers," said <u>Our Revolution</u> board chair **Larry Cohen.** "It doesn't matter whether you were born in the U.S. or arrived as an immigrant, May 1 is a time for all workers to come together and fight for our jobs and our living standards." Cohen is past president of the Communications Workers of America and was a national leader of Labor for Bernie.

The four national unions signing the statement are helping to spearhead Labor for Our Revolution along with two other unions: the American Postal Workers Union and the International Longshore and Warehouse Union.

Contact laborforourrevolution@gmail.com or call 617-949-9720 to request a copy of the signed statement.

Labor for Our Revolution is a new network of unions, workers' organizations and labor activists engaged in campaigns to build a broader movement for social and economic justice. Organizations endorsing Labor for Our Revolution, have agreed to work together to build Our Revolution and wherever possible to support each organization's respective campaigns.