

Resolution to Nominate Joe Berry for the Ben Rust Award at the CFT Convention

Whereas Joe Berry has a long and distinguished history of activism in AFT Local 2121, the California Federation of Teachers, and the American Federation of Teachers, and

Whereas Joe Berry is a highly respected labor historian and author who has served as an organizer or staff representative in AFT, NEA, AAUP and SEIU and a leader in the contingent faculty movement, including the New Faculty Majority and the Coalition of Contingent Academic Labor (COCAL), and

Whereas Joe Berry, Ph.D., is a retired labor educator and history teacher who has published the book, *Reclaiming the Ivory Tower: Organizing Adjuncts to Change Higher Education* and numerous articles on the exploitation of contingent faculty and the struggles to improve the wages, working conditions and job security of contingent workers, and

Whereas Joe Berry tenaciously continues after many decades to play an active role in the local, state, national and international struggle for human rights, peace, racial equality, social and economic justice;

Therefore be it resolved that the AFT Local 2121 Delegate Assembly submit the nomination of Joe Berry for the Ben Rust award to the CFT Convention, March 22-24, 2019.

Respectfully submitted by Allan Fisher, Jim McKinney, and Rodger Scott