

## 2011 WSCFF Convention Resolution

SUBJECT: Do The Right Thing  
RESOLUTION #: 11-08

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WHEREAS: The Washington State Council of Fire Fighters (WSCFF) is a proud organization with seventy-two years of history representing union fire fighters and affiliate members of the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF); and

WHEREAS: The WSCFF has a proud history of ‘doing the right thing’; and

WHEREAS: The WSCFF Mission Statement clearly boasts a ‘foundation anchored in the principles of honesty, integrity, and commitment’; and

WHEREAS: Integrity is defined by Merriam-Webster as ‘a firm adherence to a code of especially moral values; the opposite of hypocrisy’; and

WHEREAS: Affiliates who use the *FIREPAC exchange program* hypocritically affirm that they ‘do the right thing’ by contributing to FIREPAC; all the while they secretly have those funds returned to them by taking it from union dues paid by their union brothers and sisters from across the nation; and

WHEREAS: Resolution 36, passed at the 2010 IAFF convention, increased per capita dues by \$0.25 per member, to a total of \$1.50, to fund the FIRE PAC Education Account for the main purpose of funding the increasing usage of the *exchange program* by member affiliates across the country; and

WHEREAS: The use of the *FIRE PAC exchange program* goes against the values of honesty and integrity set forth in the WSCFF Mission Statement; and

WHEREAS: The WSCFF continues to strive to lead by example; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this entire body of delegates to the WSCFF 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual Convention condemns the use of the *FIREPAC exchange program* by any IAFF affiliate member local in the state of Washington; and be it further

RESOLVED: That upon passage of this resolution, copies are forwarded to the corresponding state organizations of the Magnificent IAFF 7<sup>th</sup> District, and that they are encouraged to also ‘do the right thing’ so that the entire Magnificent 7<sup>th</sup> stands in solidarity and continues to lead by example.

SUBMITTED BY: IAFF Local 2903, Lacey

Committee	Action Taken	Recommendation
O&P		Reject
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ASSIGNED DESIGNATION: