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WHEREAS, office jobs such as data entry, computer programming and customer service have been and are leaving the United States; and

WHEREAS, with technological improvements driving operating costs further down, the job loss will increase exponentially on both entry level and professional level jobs; and

WHEREAS, companies layoff higher wage workers and contract jobs to workers in countries where workers are paid low wages and have no benefits; and

WHEREAS, as a result of trade agreements, companies are awarded tax breaks to outsource jobs to certain foreign countries.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that OPEIU local unions slow the flow of jobs leaving the U.S. through negotiation of collective bargaining agreements that limit outsourcing of jobs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that OPEIU calls upon Congress to end incentives for outsourcing in the U.S. tax code and in trade agreements.

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