RECOGNITION OF SERVICE – DAN DYER

WHEREAS, Dan Dyer has for decades been a tireless union activist committed to improving the lives of working people; and

WHEREAS, he began his lengthy career in the labor movement as a research economist with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers after completing his Bachelor of Arts in economics; and

WHEREAS, that experience introduced him to OPEIU, where he began serving Local 2 as chief shop steward while in that role; and

WHEREAS, his advocacy on behalf of his colleagues led to his election to the executive board of Local 2 in 1975, and as first vice president of the local in 1984; and

WHEREAS, he became a full-time staff representative of Local 2 in 1985, and was elected president of the local in 1993; and

WHEREAS, his work on behalf of his members led to his election at the 21st OPEIU Convention as vice president on the International Executive Board, where he has served our union with distinction; and

WHEREAS, his deep commitment to bettering the lives of all working people is encapsulated by his distinguished work as vice president of the Maryland State and District of Columbia AFL-CIO, an executive board member of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Unions and president of the board of the AFL-CIO Credit Union; and

WHEREAS, he has recognized the importance of organizing the unorganized and has steadily grown the membership of Local 2, and has fully embraced the union’s apprentice organizer program; and
WHEREAS, he has ensured Local 2 will continue to prosper and grow in the capable hands of his successors for the benefit of all members; and

WHEREAS, news of his retirement from the International Executive Board has given rise to a union-wide sense of appreciation for his long and fruitful career at OPEIU; and

WHEREAS, his contributions to OPEIU and the broader labor movement for the past several decades will be deeply missed by OPEIU, its staff and more than 103,000 members in the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the members, officers and staff of OPEIU wish Dan Dyer a fulfilling, healthy and long-lasting retirement, and acknowledge his longtime commitment and service to OPEIU; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, in appreciation, the delegates to this 28th OPEIU Convention hereby confer on Dan Dyer the title of Vice President Emeritus.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED JUNE 2019