WHEREAS, the apprentice organizer (AO) program was established to help revitalize local union membership as part of OPEIU’s broader shift toward union-wide organizing; and

WHEREAS, apprentice organizers have played an integral role in injecting new energy into our organizing campaigns and local unions, and are responsible for organizing thousands of new members into OPEIU; and

WHEREAS, local unions report satisfaction with the program and are benefitting from seeing firsthand what new organizing can mean for their local unions; and

WHEREAS, the financial benefits of the AO program, which include splitting the cost between local unions and the international, are numerous in the short and long terms.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED delegates to the 29th OPEIU Convention celebrate the success of the AO program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED delegates support the continuation and expansion of the program.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED JUNE 2023