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CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING WITH THE SUPERVALU, INC. WAREHOUSE WORKERS

- WHEREAS*, Over three hundred workers at the Shaw's distribution center in Methuen, Massachusetts have been on strike for six weeks; and
- WHEREAS*, Striking workers and their families lost their health benefits on April 1; and
- WHEREAS*, In these difficult economic times, loss of pay and health benefits puts a particularly immense strain on working families; and
- WHEREAS*, Workers are already struggling under the weight of rising health care costs; and
- WHEREAS*, The state of Massachusetts has a longstanding commitment to assuring affordable healthcare for our citizens; and
- WHEREAS*, The Methuen workers have been loyal employees for many years; and
- WHEREAS*, The workers are an integral part of the Methuen community; and
- WHEREAS*, It is in the best interest of Massachusetts to strive to keep good jobs in our state; and
- WHEREAS*, Collective bargaining is a time-tested method for resolving labor conflicts.
BE IT THEREFORE
- RESOLVED*, The Boston City Council, hereby assembled, encourages both parties to return to the bargaining table and arrive at a fair and reasonable contract in an expedient manner.

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