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To: SPEEA Council

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Subject: PRESUBMITTED NEW BUSINESS: Condemn Eliminating US and Canadian jobs & President Biden's attacks on labor

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### **Background**

Since entering office Biden's anti-labor stance has been evident by eliminating thousands of high paying union jobs. These jobs come from not only the installation of the Keystone XL pipeline and boarder wall but also cost local communities and small businesses that support them. Both of these projects are mandated to use US steel in their construction, which also causes loss of union work.

It should be SPEEA's stance that before Biden eliminates high paying union jobs with the promise that there will be clean energy jobs created, that the actual clean energy jobs are created before cancelling the current projects. It could be years or decades before there is demand for these promised clean energy jobs.

Biden's executive order to re-enter the Paris Accord will also cost an untold amount of manufacturing jobs. These jobs going to countries like China who won't commit to the same outlandish greenhouse goals.

### **MOTION**

*It is moved that: **The SPEEA Council condemns eliminating US and Canadian jobs tied to the border wall and the XL pipeline and President Biden's attacks on labor.***

Prior to council action (voting) to determine a legislative or public affairs position, the SPEEA Council's Legislative & Public Affairs Committee shall investigate and produce both pro and con statements and a majority committee recommendation.

Passage or adoption of any legislative or public issue proposal shall be by published ballot and require: A majority vote of all Council Members present.