

# **Resolution to Support Protests Demanding the Super Committee Support Jobs Not Cuts**

WHEREAS, working people and the poor face an historic unemployment crisis and the danger of the deepest cuts in decades in federal funding of essential social services; and

WHEREAS, there is a desperate need for major resources to be directed toward a large federal program of public works to create jobs; and

WHEREAS, polls such as the September 15th New York Times/CBS News poll show that 80% of Americans would support a program of federal spending on infrastructure like bridges, airports, and schools as a means to create jobs; and

WHEREAS, Congress set up a bipartisan Super Committee to propose at least \$1.2 trillion of cuts to the federal budget, possibly much more, by November 23; and

WHEREAS, Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid—the three most essential and popular social programs working people depend on—could face unprecedented historic cuts; and

WHEREAS, one of the two national co-chairs of the Super Committee is Washington State Senator Patty Murray; and

WHEREAS, by organizing major protests in cities throughout Washington state, we have a rare opportunity to attract media attention and have an impact on this national debate,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Whatcom Democrats endorse the National Week of Action for Jobs Not Cuts and supports building the largest possible protest on Friday, November 18 at 4:15 pm outside Congressman Larsen's office at 119 N Commercial St in Bellingham to let Congress know our opposition to these unprecedented attacks; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the protest adopts the following basic demands:

1. Hands off Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid! No cuts to education and social services!
2. We need jobs, not cuts! Fund a federal public works program to create millions of jobs!
3. Make Big Business Pay! For Major Tax hikes on the super-rich and corporations!
4. End the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan! Slash Pentagon spending!

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Whatcom Democrats mobilize its members and supporters to the protest; and

AND BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution are sent to other organizations with a request that they endorse this protest and mobilize all their affiliated organizations, members, and supporters to the protest.

Adopted unanimously by the Whatcom County Democratic Central Committee, November 17, 2011  
Natalie McClendon, Chair