

Minnesota AFL-CIO Sample Caucus Resolution
OPPOSE TPP

BE IT RESOLVED: That the _____ party oppose approval of the Trans-Pacific Partnership trade lacking strong, enforceable environmental, human and labor rights; and, be it further

RESOLVED: That the _____ party oppose any proposed trade agreements which further erode our rights as a sovereign nation or state to pass legislation protecting the rights of our citizens, our environment or our economy.

TALKING POINTS:

- Trade agreements such as the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), and the Central American Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA) have given multi-national corporations sweeping powers to challenge signatory nations' labor, environmental, occupational, and food safety standards and to strike down democratically enacted laws.
- These previously negotiated have either no protections for the environment, human or labor rights, or at best contain weak and unenforceable protections.
- Negotiations over the public or members of Congress; and the proposed Trans-Pacific Partnership were conducted largely in secret, with little or no input from the public or Members of Congress.
- Supporters of the proposed Trans-Pacific Partnership are pushing for Congress to ratify the massive Trans-Pacific Partnership.