



# TEAMSTERS JOINT COUNCIL 42

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"TO PROTECT AND SERVE AMERICA'S WORKFORCE"

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President

Councilmember Joe Buscaino, Chair, Trade, Travel, and Tourism Committee  
Councilmember Curren Price, Chair, Economic Development Committee  
City of Los Angeles  
Los Angeles, CA

**RE: File No. 17-0725-S1**

**Robert M. Lennox**  
Vice President

Dear Councilmembers Buscaino and Price:

**Mike Bergen**  
Secretary-Treasurer

On behalf of 23 Teamsters Union Locals located in Southern California, Southern Nevada, Guam, Saipan, and Hawaii affiliated with Teamsters Joint Council 42, representing nearly 250,000 working Teamsters and retirees, thank you for your support for ending indentured servitude through wage theft and employee misclassification at the Port of Los Angeles. Your leadership through the Trade, Travel, and Tourism and Economic Development Committees is a step in achieving justice for port truck drivers and warehouse workers.

**Ron Herrera**  
Recording Secretary

The illegal employment practices endured by 12,000 port truck drivers, and the poor working conditions faced by tens of thousands of warehouse workers who are the next link in the supply chain, have gone on for far too long. These drivers and warehouse workers have been suffering mistreatment for years and the Ports have done little to address it.

**Patrick D. Kelly**  
Trustee

More than a thousand claims for wage theft, 15 strikes in the last four years, and 3,500 drivers involved in lawsuits have yet to spur the change needed for these workers. It is past time for the City of Los Angeles to stand up to greedy corporations that are breaking the law and exploiting workers on City property.

**Chris Griswold**  
Trustee

The Port of Los Angeles – in concert with the Port of Long Beach – is the entry point for more than 40 percent of U.S. imports and a major economic engine for the region. With such economic activity, every job at the port should be a good job, and there is no excuse for the City of Los Angeles to allow anyone doing business at the port to illegally exploit warehouse workers and truck drivers.

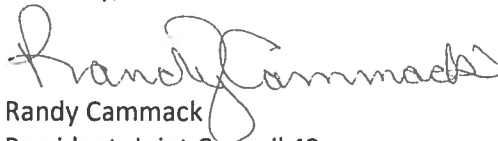
**Rick Middleton**  
Trustee

On behalf of 250,000 working and retiree Teamsters represented by the Teamsters in our region, we strongly support File No. 17-0725-S1 and urge you to demand an expeditious report and immediate action from the City Attorney.

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**Jaime Vasquez**  
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Sincerely,



Randy Cammack  
President, Joint Council 42