

California Federation of Teachers

AFT/AFL-CIO

Resolution Against War on Iraq

Whereas, the United States and Britain have been bombing Iraq on a virtually continuous basis since the end of the Gulf War, and

Whereas, the Bush administration has presented no credible evidence that Iraq has intentions of harming the citizens of this country or that Iraq presents a threat to the United States, and

Whereas, the Bush administration is seeking any pretext to overthrow the government of a sovereign nation, in violation of international law, and

Whereas, a war with Iraq would require the re-direction of vital resources and funds to a destructive, senseless, and illegal goal while further strengthening an administration that has restricted the civil liberties of its citizens, and

Whereas, this administration is using the so-called War on Terrorism to distract the American people from the vital issues they confront,

Therefore, be it resolved that the California Federation of Teachers goes on record as strenuously opposing the Bush administration's march toward war with Iraq,

And be it further resolved that the California Federation of Teachers urge its members and affiliates to get involved with organizations working toward stopping the Bush administration's march toward war with Iraq.

**Passed by the CFT State Council
September 21, 2002**