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RESOLUTION

U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

- WHEREAS, the gains made for working miners as a result of collective bargaining are now being threatened by Patriot Coal through the use of the bankruptey proceedings; and
- WHEREAS, the United Mine Workers of America has secured health care and pensions for retired coal miners, and their widows, through decades of collective bargaining; and
- WHEREAS, Peabody's spin-off of Patriot Coal jeopardizes retiree pensions and health care via Patriot's bankruptcy action; and
- WHEREAS, actions taken by Arch Coal to shed itself of its promised health and retirement benefits through corporate schemes could also hurt coal retirees' pensions and health care; and
- WHEREAS, imposing the Peabody and Arch legacy costs onto Patriot Coal, all under the direction of former Peabody executives implicates all three corporations; and
- WHEREAS, the loss of promised health care and retirement benefits, if not addressed, could push many local communities into a financial crisis; and
- WHEREAS, all coal field communities have a significant interest in fighting to maintain retiree pensions and health care for our citizens; and
- WHEREAS, as concerned members of our community we, the undersigned, pledge to join in the fight to maintain and protect promised pensions and health care from assaults by these and other coal operators.
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the undersigned, publicly support the United Mine Workers of America in their efforts against Peabody, Arch and Patriot that jeopardize coal miners' health care and retirement security; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we, the undersigned shall stand shoulder to shoulder with the UMWA International and Local Union leadership in this fight; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the county works Logan County Commission request that Patriot Coal, Peabody and Arch Coal prevent the stripping from active, laid-off, and retired coal miners their contractually-promised lifetime health care and pension benefits.

We will notify Patriot Coal, Peabody and Arch Coal that our county/city passed this resolution at
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