

By Senator Bullard

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Senate Resolution

A resolution expressing support for the Coalition of Immokalee Workers and the Student/Farmworker Alliance in their efforts to raise awareness of the working conditions of Florida's farmworkers.

WHEREAS, more than two million migrant and seasonal farmworkers labor in the fields, orchards, vineyards, and groves across our nation, and

WHEREAS, the average wage of migrant and seasonal farmworkers in the United States is \$11,000, with the majority not receiving health insurance coverage and lacking many of the protections afforded other workers, and

WHEREAS, a healthy and thriving agricultural industry in Florida must be built on sustainable systems and must not come at the expense of farmworkers and their families, and

WHEREAS, the Coalition of Immokalee Workers and the Student/Farmworker Alliance are working tirelessly to raise awareness of the working conditions of Florida's farmworkers and to promote agricultural standards and business practices that protect farmworkers and elevate the standing of Florida's agricultural industry, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

That the Senate supports the tireless efforts of the Coalition of Immokalee Workers and the Student/Farmworker Alliance in their efforts to raise awareness of the working conditions of Florida's farmworkers.