



**INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL ENGINEERS, AFL-CIO & CLC
60TH Constitutional Convention
Washington DC (Conducted Virtually)
August 9 – 10, 2021**

RESOLUTION NO 3

TO HONOR AND THANK IFPTE PRESIDENT PAUL SHEARON

FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE FEDERATION

1 **WHEREAS,**

2 **Before being elected IFPTE Secretary-Treasurer in 2006, President Shearon served as SPEEA,**
3 **Local 2001 organizing director for many years, and;**

4 **WHEREAS,**

5 **As SPEEA organizing director, President Shearon organized and led SPEEA's historic 40-day**
6 **strike from February 9th, 2000 to March 19th, 2000, and;**

7 **WHEREAS,**

8 **The 40-day SPEEA strike was one of the largest white-collar strikes in U.S. history, and;**

9 **WHEREAS,**

10 **As Secretary-Treasurer, President Shearon helped and led on many critically important fights**
11 **taken on by IFPTE locals and the International, including successfully blocking efforts by the**
12 **Chris Christie Administration to privatize the New Jersey turnpike; successfully working to**
13 **prevent any cuts for New Jersey's public sector pensioners; being an integral leader in The**

SUBMITTED BY: IFPTE Executive Council

COST:

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT: POLICY

REPORTING COMMITTEE: POLICY

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: CONCUR

CONVENTION ACTION:



14 Society's/Local 160 105-day Hydro One strike in 2005; overseeing and reforming IFPTE's
15 financial practices in a fiscally responsible and sustainable way, and; overseeing IFPTE's
16 divestiture from the failing NIGPP staff and officer multi-employer pension fund and replacing it
17 with a fiscally responsible and generous pension plan, among many other fights over the years,
18 and;

19 **WHEREAS,**

20 President Shearon was elected President at IFPTE's 59th Constitutional Convention in 2018 in
21 Atlantic City, New Jersey, and;

22 **WHEREAS,**

23 As President, President Shearon has led the Federation through what is the most difficult and
24 uncertain time in the Federation's recent history, and;

25 **WHEREAS,**

26 Among the many challenges and fights that President Shearon accomplished as President of
27 IFPTE include leading the way in the labor movement to force an end to the longest federal
28 government shutdown in United States history in 2018-2019; being a vocal proponent and
29 leader of putting unprecedented Federation staff time and resources dedicated to defeating the
30 most anti-labor President in U.S. history, Donald Trump; establishing strategy and allocating
31 resources to help the EA/Local 1937 successfully block the TVA from off-shoring hundreds of
32 IFPTE represented TVA IT jobs; overseeing a highly successful organizing program in which IFPTE
33 has grown, even during a pandemic, among many other accomplishments, and;

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34 **WHEREAS,**

35 **President Shearon has been arrested several times when engaging in acts of civil disobedience**
36 **in support of IFPTE members, and;**

37 **WHEREAS,**

38 **President Shearon serves as an AFL-CIO Vice President, and serves on many AFL-CIO**
39 **committees, including as Co-Chair of the AFL-CIO Immigration Committee, and;**

40 **WHEREAS,**

41 **President Shearon has established himself as an extraordinary labour leader and advocate for**
42 **IFPTE's membership throughout North America, and his contributions to our Federation, the**
43 **members and their families, will live on for decades to come.**

44 **THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED;**

45 **On the occasion of his retirement from IFPTE, that the Federation thanks and recognizes Brother**
46 **Paul Shearon for his countless contributions to our union, and to both the U.S. and Canadian**
47 **Labour Movements over his many years advocating for working families, and;**

48 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED;**

49 **As a small token of our appreciation, the Federation will memorialize this Resolution in the form**
50 **of a plaque and present it to President Shearon, and:**

51 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED;**

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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: CONCUR
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52 That the federation will frame and hang a copy of this resolution in the IFPTE International
53 headquarters to preserve and recognize President's Shearon's contributions to the long history
54 of the Federation.

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CONVENTION ACTION:

