



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Louisiana Carpenters Regional Council used
3 generous donations received for disaster relief to set up a
4 Katrina Relief Fund; and

5 WHEREAS, Monies received from the UBC Helping Hands Fund,
6 affiliate Regional Councils, affiliate Local Unions, and
7 individual member donations were used to help feed over 5,000
8 people at the family social services center; and

9 WHEREAS, Working with the Red Cross and with the donations
10 and volunteer efforts of the members and staff, the Council
11 turned its training center into a shelter to provide housing,
12 clothing, food, tools, and other forms of assistance to many
13 evacuee members and their families; and

14 WHEREAS, An evacuee member of Local 1846 in New Orleans and
15 members of his family stayed at the shelter for two months; the
16 Relief Fund provided the member with numerous tools that
17 enabled him to go back to work; he and his family were also
18 provided their first month's rent and a deposit to help them
19 get into another house; and

20 WHEREAS, The shelter also provided relief to many evacuees
21 from the Lake Charles region of Louisiana after Hurricane Rita;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, The Council continues to use relief funds to
24 provide housing to workers in the New Orleans region;
25 therefore, be it

26 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
27 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
28 we commend the Louisiana Carpenters Regional Council for its
29 hard work and dedication in promoting relief efforts as a

1 result of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
3 presented to the Louisiana Carpenters Regional Council as an
4 expression of our admiration and esteem.