

**Revised Resolution No. 4**

**COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT: Constitution & By-Laws**

**Re: Convention Bid Site Selection Process**

1           WHEREAS, the IAFF biennial convention serves  
2 as a seminal event for this great union to chart its  
3 future course in service to our sister and brother  
4 members; and

5           WHEREAS, host cities for IAFF Conventions  
6 have become burdened with the responsibilities  
7 currently placed on them to generate hundreds of  
8 thousands of dollars to defray the costs of hosting;  
9 and

10          WHEREAS, this burden discourages locals from  
11 bidding on hosting the IAFF Convention; and

12          WHEREAS, Resolution 12 from the 1986 IAFF  
13 Convention stated the IAFF shall assume full  
14 responsibility for producing the convention; and

15          WHEREAS, in order to select the best possible  
16 location for the IAFF Convention, the metrics  
17 considered include the availability of thousands of  
18 hotel rooms, over 100,000 square feet of meeting  
19 space, office space, exhibit space, reception space,  
20 and other requirements; therefore be it

21          RESOLVED, That the IAFF eliminate the  
22 convention bid process for convention site cities; and  
23 be it further

24          RESOLVED, That the IAFF Executive Board  
25 present to the delegates assembled at each biennial  
26 convention three viable options to host the

27 convention; and be it further

28 RESOLVED, That the delegates assembled shall  
29 select the convention site city from those options  
30 presented to them; and be it further

31 RESOLVED, That the IAFF assume host  
32 responsibilities following the 2028 convention; and  
33 be it further

34 RESOLVED, That the General President appoint  
35 a committee from the Executive Board to review the  
36 entire convention process, including but not limited  
37 to timing, dates for events, funding, and any  
38 associated policies, and such committee will report to  
39 the Executive Board no later than the February 2026  
40 Executive Board meeting; and be it further

41 RESOLVED, That Article IV of the IAFF  
42 Constitution and By-Laws be amended to read  
43 as follows:

44 "Section 1. Time and Place

45 Conventions of this Association shall be regularly  
46 scheduled biennially in such city as shall have  
47 been selected by a majority of delegates present  
48 and voting for Convention Site Cities.

49 The method of selecting the Convention Site City  
50 shall be as follows: The IAFF Executive Board  
51 shall provide the delegates assembled at  
52 convention a list of three (3) candidate cities that  
53 meet the criteria for selection as the Convention  
54 Site City. The delegates at convention shall vote  
55 for their preference among all candidates for the  
56 Convention Site City in four years; provided,  
57 however, that each delegate can only vote once. If

58 no candidate for Convention Site City receives a  
59 majority vote, the candidate with the fewest votes  
60 shall be eliminated, and the process shall be  
61 repeated until a candidate receives a majority  
62 vote.  
63 Should extreme or unusual circumstances be such  
64 as to prevent the opening of a convention on the  
65 designated date in the city selected by the  
66 delegates as its convention site, the Executive  
67 Board shall designate a substitute city or  
68 substitute date as soon as possible, notification of  
69 which shall be promptly sent to all local unions  
70 and other subordinate bodies for communication  
71 to their delegates.”

Submitted by: IAFF Executive Board

Cost Estimate: **None**

Annual or Perpetual Designation: **N/A**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Adopt as Revised**

**CONVENTION ACTION: Adopted as Revised**