## WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR PEACE & FREEDOM UNITED STATES SECTION THIRTY-SECOND TRIENNIAL CONGRESS DETROIT, MICHIGAN

## August 3, 2014

## Resolution passed unanimously by voice vote

WHEREAS, WILPF's charter has been the thinking globally and acting locally in our work for peace and social justice, and

WHEREAS, WILPF's statement on immigration of 2006 provides a good base for us moving forward in this area of concern, and

WHEREAS, the 2014 Regional Americas Conference committed to Inter-American collaborations and bilingual projects for marginalized Latina communities, and

WHEREAS, it is the sense of the WILPF United States Section that the following updates are essential to be made to the 2006 statement, recommended by this Workshop as follows:

- ► Updated statement, proposed modifications to WILPF 2006 Immigration Statement:
  - ▶ Define immigrant, refugee/non-refugee, displaced persons
  - ► Oppose detention for non-violent crimes
  - Oppose "contingent" language of TVPRA allowing biased "OTM" status
  - Oppose privatization of detention centers and labor exploitation of immigrant detainees
  - ► Support legal representation availability for immigrants
  - Demand transparency of DHS cases of death by arms and excessive violence
- ► Establish Issues Committee or Caucus for Immigration
- Support Latin American sections with a continued presence and attention to issues:
  - ► Meetings/Delegations
  - Exchange of resources/trainings
- ► Support U.S.-Mexico collaborative projects with migrating populations on the issues of rights and risks (both borders)

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the National Board is requested to make the following actions take place:

- ▶ Approval of proposed modifications to WILPF 2006 Immigration Statement.
- ► Approval of and recruitment for Issues Committee on Immigration and Border Militarization
- ► Funding for proposed initial inter-American project: a needs assessment of migrant women in Puebla, Mexico and Houston, Texas.

Submitted by the US Section WILPF 2014 Congress Workshop on the Regional Americas Conference