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*for members of OPEIU Local 8*

At our recent Race, Equity and Social Justice (RESJ) Committee meeting we discussed our International Office's quarterly magazine, in particular, its title "White Collar." This publication is mailed to all dues-paying OPEIU members and has been in existence since 1954. While the quarterly publication has great content, we know that words hold power and how we choose to frame/approach things can drastically impact how they are then perceived and received.

Our International has flirted with the idea of changing the publication's name before but it hasn't happened yet, and we'd like to support and encourage follow through on that action. When considering other names, we believe the replacement should project strength, signify unity, be easily identified and understood, and, perhaps most importantly, honor our Union's diverse makeup. We started brainstorming alternatives (i.e. Unity Report, Workers United, The Peoples' Mic, The Good Fight, Solidarity Press, etc.) but we really want to hear from you! **Please visit this link for a quick survey.**

As a reminder, our RESJ Committee meets via Zoom twice per month (the 2nd and 4th Thursday). Join us -- these meetings are open to all members of Local 8! Our next meeting will be at **6pm on Thursday, December 10th**. If you'd like to receive the Zoom invite to these meetings, please indicate so on the survey.

In Solidarity,

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RESJ Co-Chair

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RESJ Co-Chair

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Union Representative

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Membership Support Rep

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