

## LOCAL UNION 6

## International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers

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IBEW Local Union No. 6 is an inclusionary organization that at all times seeks to represent workers without regard to their race, color, religion, creed, ethnicity, ancestry, national origin, sexual orientation, marital status, military or veteran status, age and/or disability.

IBEW Local Union No. 6 condemns the violence and murder that took place this past weekend in Charlottesville, VA. To be perfectly clear, IBEW Local Union No. 6 also condemns white nationalism and white supremacy, as they are in stark conflict with the express goals of our organization. The 'Unite the Right' event, and the actions that were perpetrated by those in attendance, are disgraceful examples of a small minority of bigots that seek to exploit the growing economic desperation of law abiding Americans.

Economic equality and opportunity will not be won through the marginalization or victimization of working families. Instead, IBEW Local Union No. 6 believes that only an open and inclusive labor movement will raise the moral and economic realities for workers across society. We encourage those who are frustrated and angered with the stagnation of wages, loss of employment opportunities, and workplace exploitation to exercise their right to organize in concerted effort and form a Union.

While IBEW Local Union No. 6 does not share the views and opinions expressed by John Ramondetta, we recognize that the Constitution of the United States allows him to express those views and opinions provided that he does so in accordance with the law. The authority of IBEW Local 6 to discipline or otherwise hold Mr. Ramondetta accountable does not extend to the expression of his views and opinions as an individual outside of the workplace.

Any questions on the views and opinions of John Ramondetta should be directed to him personally.

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