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## **West Coast dockworkers will honor “Hour of silence” on Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup>**

West Coast dockworkers will honor an international “day of action” on Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup>, by observing an “hour of silence” from 11am to 12 noon, in honor of workers who have died on the docks here and abroad.

The International Day of Action is being organized by the International Dockworkers Council (IDC) and the International Transport Workers’ Federation (ITF). The groups represent thousands of dockworkers at ports throughout the world.

The union provided the Pacific Maritime Association (PMA) employer group with advanced notice of the observance. The PMA has acknowledged and recognized the union’s request.

“We stand in solidarity with dockworkers in America and around the world who are calling attention to dangerous working conditions and the need to respect the rights of all workers,” said ILWU International President Robert McEllrath.

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