



TIPS FOR PASSING A CUBA SOLIDARITY RESOLUTION

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Organizers in the U.S. have passed over [79 resolutions in solidarity with Cuba](#), representing over 44 million people. We want to share these winning strategies. We encourage **you** to initiate a resolution to expand public support for removing Cuba from the [U.S. “State Sponsors of Terrorism” List](#). This effort is part of our wider campaign to lift the U.S. blockade on Cuba.

- 1. First, reflect on your city or county council, state legislature or labor union and decide where you want the resolution to be passed.** A body known for taking progressive stances on other political issues is a good starting point.

Form an organizing committee from your community or use your existing solidarity organization. Reach out to [member organizations of the National Network on Cuba](#) (NNOC) in your area to build your coalition. Contact the NNOC Resolutions Committee (through johnwaller46@gmail.com) so we can support you!

- 2. Gather resources, data to support your resolution:** On the NNOC and Saving Lives websites you’ll find a [Model resolution](#) urging removal from the list of states that sponsor terrorism (SSOT); a [fact sheet](#) on the impact of the SSOT List and a [list of states, cities, counties, and labor unions](#) that have passed resolutions supportive of Cuba. These documents will provide the information needed to successfully pass your resolution.
- 3. Identify a sponsor or author for your resolution who has a commitment to solidarity with Cuba.** Think about your own State Representative or City Councilor since they are likely to want to work with you. However, if that person is not appropriate then the person who has most closely identified with Cuba may be the best choice.
- 4. Adapt the [model resolution](#) urging President Biden to remove Cuba from the SSOT List.** Collaborate with your sponsor/author to make any changes that they think would strengthen it.

5. **Develop an outreach plan with your organizing committee to promote your resolution.**
6. **Build relationships with elected or union officials who will consider and vote on your resolution.** Meet with them to explain the resolution, the rationale behind it, what can be achieved and why it is in the interest of peoples in the U.S. and Cuba. It is helpful to have a one-page summary for your pitch and lobbying.
7. **Identify prominent and grassroots local allies to support the resolution.** (List of [member organizations](#) of the National Network on Cuba)
8. **Members of NNOC's Local Resolutions Committee can also be a good resource for you.** Contact us: johnwaller46@gmail.com
9. **Build broad-based community support for the resolution. Ask advocates to contact officials prior to their vote.** Make sure to inform the media about the resolution vote. NNOC can support you by making graphics about the resolution and promoting it on our social media; reach out to callawalshh@gmail.com
10. **Resolutions calling for Removal of Cuba from the Terrorism List are powerful tools.** Be sure that your Congressional representatives and President Biden hear from you!

We are increasing support in U.S. municipalities, states and labor unions for ending the blockade and normalizing relations between Cuba and the U.S. Join us!