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Seattle, Washington,
May 29th 1936.

To The City Council;
Seattle, Washington,
County-City Building;

To The City Council, as a whole;

At a joint mass meeting of unemployed workers, W.P.A. workers, members of the Local Trades Unions, and others, this petition was unanimously adopted and this Committee of 25 were instructed to remit same to you at once;

We assembled here in Open Mass Meeting, petition the City Council of Seattle, Washington, to memorialize the State and National Officials to continue the W.P.A. jobs, and, that every unemployed worker in Seattle (whether on relief or not) to be given an equal opportunity to work on these jobs, providing that they need one.

We know that the City Council has great power about this matter. If you can vote \$300,000 odd dollars for new trackless buses or other necessary transportation equipment, we know that you can also ally yourselves with the interests of the unemployed who are in desperate circumstances, and, through your power make it a duty to cooperate about this serious problem of unemployment. The Federal Government says that all relief problems shall revert to the local, County, and, State authorities. This proves that you have a definite responsibility toward the thousands of unemployed citizens and taxpayers of this community. We, further know, that the unemployed themselves have no power at this time to get proper funds to make W.P.A. jobs possible, and, the sole responsibility rests with our various Public Officials, who are sworn to look after the welfare of all citizens in their scope of official power.

Trusting that you members of the City Council, of Seattle, will take immediate action in starting the ball rolling in the interests of the unemployed. We also will appreciate an acknowledgement of this communication.....

Respectfully Yours:

G. Kausalle
Chairman

K. Bradley
Secretary

Committee of 25,

Temporary Mailing Address;; 94 Main Street, Seattle, Washington

*a committee will be present at
your next regular session to
receive an answer to the above*