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Tell Norelco: Stop Shaving Workers Rights Away!

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Friends,

While many of us are considering buying an electric razor as a holiday gift, workers at the Norelco factory in Roselle, IL are having their rights shaved away.

The employees at the assembly and distribution center in Roselle are paid as little as \$70 for 11 hour work days, while the razors they make are sold at Walmart for \$189.97. In one shift, 200 workers from the temporary employment agencies that staff the Roselle facility create about one million dollars worth of razors. These workers face illegal retaliation for calling in sick and they have been victims of unfair labor practices for reporting the poor conditions inside their workplace.

Like Scrooge, Norelco's staffing companies are forcing their employees to spend less time with their families this holiday season, as they are made to report for work early -- without being paid.

The Norelco workers have been organizing with the Chicago Workers Collaborative, but they need our help and solidarity.

As concerned consumers we can make a difference, it is time that big box retailers like Walmart have ethical supply chains.

- Call Philips Norelco CEO, Gregory Sebosky, at (978) 659-3000 during business hours. Explain to him that Staffing Network, which supplies his workforce, is not



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meeting the labor standards outlined in the United Nation's Global Compact onto which Philips Norelco is a signatory.

- Call Staffing Network President, Bob Loughman, at [\(630\) 787-3990](tel:6307873990). Ask him to meet with the Chicago Workers Collaborative and Staffing Network Workers Committee to set up a process for fair treatment.

You can read [this flyer](#) for more information. Several of us handed it out at the NIJWJ rally and picket at the Walmart in Naperville on Saturday. Please download this flyer and share it with friends.

Northern Illinois Jobs With Justice



Northern Illinois Jobs With Justice

is a non-profit, nonpartisan coalition of unions, community organizations, faith-based groups, student groups, and seniors' organizations.

Our purpose is to work together to support each other and to develop and advocate for policies that **a)** create sustainable living wage jobs and **b)** challenge the existing economic inequalities.

Our activities will focus on research, education, advocacy and mobilization around issues and shall be consistent with rules governing 501c3 nonprofit organizations.

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I'll be There:

...standing up for our rights as working people to a decent standard of living.

...supporting the right of all workers to organize and bargain collectively.

...fighting for secure family-wage jobs in the face of corporate attacks on working people and our communities.

We told Rep. Hultgren: **No Cuts to Medicare!**

We said 'no' to a 'grand swindle' that would cut aid to those who need it.

Speaking on the 'Fiscal Cliff' Mary Shesgreen of Elgin, co-chairwoman of the Jobs With Justice group said "It is just an outrage. This crisis was manufactured to provide justification for an attack on these programs."

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