

NAHB Resolution

Title: Skilled Trades Outreach
Original Sponsor: Home Builders Institute Board of Trustees

WHEREAS, the construction industry suffers from a shortage of qualified workers as the pool of skilled workers continues to erode;

WHEREAS, an additional one million new industry jobs are forecast in the skilled trades by 2012 and education and training opportunities must be expanded to meet this demand;

WHEREAS, NAHB, through its Home Builders Institute (HBI), plays a vital role in delivering education and training programs in the skilled trades and works to ensure that a skilled workforce will be available to effectively help America's home builders address the housing needs of the future;

WHEREAS, NAHB is a principal partner in the Skills to Build America's Workforce Initiative and working through HBI to promote careers in the skilled trades; and

WHEREAS, activities impacting the construction industry's education and training funding and policy initiatives in the skilled trades encompass a growing number of government entities covering various age groups and populations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) support the establishment of positive working relationships with agencies impacting construction education and training policy, to include those where appropriate funding can be identified to further the workforce needs of the construction industry in the skilled trades, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that NAHB work with the U.S. Congress and the Administration to promote and enhance workforce education and training policies, and identify funding opportunities to assist the building industry recruit, train and retain its workers.

Board of Directors Action:	Approved
Joint Executive/Resolutions Committee Action:	Recommends Approval
Resolutions Committee Action:	Recommends Approval
Federal Government Affairs Committee Action:	Recommends Approval
HBI Board of Trustees Action:	Recommends Approval