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President Richard L. Trumka wrote a personalized letter of introduction of Fr. McManus to many labor leaders. This is a generic, non-personalized version of his letter.



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Dear

This is a letter of introduction to my friend, Fr. Sean McManus, President of the Capitol Hill-based Irish National Caucus and Chief Judge of the World Peace Prize Awarding Council (WPPAC). Fr. McManus is a longtime friend to the labor movement.

In 2013, when Fr. McManus was selected to be the Chief Judge of the World Peace Prize, he turned the attention of the Awarding Council to the contributions of the American labor movement toward peace and justice, recognizing unions as critical institutions to global peace and shared prosperity. I was honored to be the 2015 recipient of the World Peace Prize and, more recently, the World Peace Prize for Labor Leadership.

Fr. McManus is now looking to better understand the role of state and local labor movements and explore the possibility of recognizing their contributions to peace and justice through the World Peace Prize.

If Fr. McManus reaches out to you, I urge you to take his call so that his good work to promote our movement can continue. Thanks again for everything you do every day to fight for working people and for justice.

In solidarity,

Richard L. Trumka
President

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Presentation of the Richard L. Trumka World Peace Prize for Solidarity to President Charles Brave, South Carolina AFL-CIO

Via Zoom. May 11, 2023.

EXCERPT FROM FR. MCMANUS' OPENING ADDRESS

God bless the South Carolina AFL-CIO.

And God bless President Charles Brave , the brand-new Laureate of the Richard L. Trumka World Peace Prize for Solidarity.

We are honored to honor you President Brave. Over and above your already trail-blazing career, you now are the first State President of the AFL-CIO to receive this Prize ... That says a lot about you—and, I hope it also says something about the values and priorities of the World Peace Prize ... We not only present the World Peace Prize to award worthy recipients, but also to promote the four social values of Truth, Justice, Love, and Freedom—based on the four social principles, namely, the Intrinsic dignity of each person, the Common Good, Solidarity, and Subsidiarity.

And President Brave, we know, like President Trumka did, that it's one thing being a State President in a strong Labor Union State, and another thing being State President in South Carolina, the weakest Labor state in America ... We know that takes special commitment, dedication, and persistence.

“...We were able to make the connection between American Organized Labor and the World Peace Prize because, you see, all major religions in the world believe that love of God and love of neighbor is the same commandment—and because the love of neighbor means, in effect, doing justice and building up God's kingdom on this earth. The famous American Protestant Scripture Scholar, Rev. Walter Brueggemann puts it very clearly:”
In Biblical faith, the doing of justice is the primary expectation of God.”

And , of course, Jesus Christ, Himself, makes that crystal clear when He told us: “In so far as you did it to the least of my brothers and sisters, you did it to me.” No more powerful statement has ever been made.

Faith is the faith that does justice. There is no other faith. If it does not do justice, it is not faith—not the Jewish faith, not the Christian faith, not the Muslim faith, not any faith.

And the wonderful thing about putting justice at the core and center of everything is that people of no faith, but of good will, can also agree in principle with this. And that's very important....

... In 1988, there was a dramatic emphasis on the theology/ social philosophy of the term "SOLIDARITY."

Pope John Paul II issued a remarkable and powerful Encyclical, "Solicitude for Social Concerns," also known as the Solidarity Encyclical.

In it he reflects on the maxim "peace is the fruit of justice," and states:

"Today, one could say, with the same exactness and the same power of Biblical Inspiration (cf. Isaiah 32:17; James 3:18) ... peace is the fruit of solidarity"— Encyclical, "Solicitude on social concerns." 39. 1988.

The Pope raised solidarity to a virtue ...

... This explanation of the history and significance of the " Richard L. Trumka World Peace Prize for Solidarity"— in and of itself —also explains why Secretary-Treasurer Powell and National President Kelly are today the recipients of this Prize : Because they personify the President Trumka-spirit: of solidarity, determination and dedication to the Union—and a life-long commitment to social and economic justice for American working women and men, and, indeed, for all people locally, nationally, and globally.

Finally, let me mention this: In further honor and memory of President Trumka, the World Peace Prize now refers to American Organized Labor as "Organized Love of Neighbor.

Solidarity forever, for "Peace IS the fruit of solidarity."



SOUTH CAROLINA AFL-CIO

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May 30, 2023

An open letter to all of my brothers and sisters in the labor movement:

I am deeply humbled and honored to receive the Trumka World Peace Prize for Solidarity. Special thanks to Fr. McManus for bestowing me with this great honor.

As a man of deep faith, I believe God calls on each of us when we are most needed. Today, I stand on the shoulders of those who have come before me and those who walk along side of me in the labor movement to answer God's call. Only together, arm-in-arm, can we accomplish the work which lies ahead. The Bible teaches us that through Christ, all things are possible if we believe. I believe that Fr. McManus believes that, and certainly Richard Trumka believed that too. As such, through Christ we all can believe that labor's best days still lie ahead, and I will fight to advance the cause until my last breath. Please join me in the quest for justice, equality, and peace for all and let us never waver in our duty. For we walk by faith and not by sight.

Charles Brave, Jr.

"Participation-that's what's gonna save the Labor Movement"

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Vice President April Lott and President Charles Brave, Jr.



President Brave with the World Peace Prize Plaque.



Vice President April Lott placing the Medallion on President Brave.



President Brave wearing the World Peace Prize Medallion.



Front row, L-R: Russell Bannan, President Charles Brave, Jr., Vice President April Lott, Sherry East, and Jennifer Teague. Back row, L-R: Robert Porter, Mike Green, and guest.



President Brave with son, Trey Brave, and wife, Jackie Brave



President Charles Brave, Jr. has been on the Executive Board of the AFL-CIO of South Carolina since 1985. In 2014, he became Vice-President of the SC AFL-CIO and became President in 2019. In 2021 he became President of ILA Local 1422. He is a member of the South Carolina Work Force Development Board, which he was appointed by former Governor Hodges.

President Brave, Jr. has an Associate Degree from Horry-Georgetown Technical College. He is an active member of several labor organizations and statistics groups with the labor movement with, includes CBTU, APRI, CAFE, SC Progressive Network, and the National Martin Luther King Committee.

President Brave, Jr. is a lifelong member of the NAACP. He is a Brother of the Craft, Prince Hall Free and Accepted Masons, Maceo Lodge 50, Georgetown, SC.

President Brave, Jr. is an ordained Deacon at Mount Olive Baptist Church, Georgetown, SC. He has served as Deacon Coordinator for the past 13 years. His favorite scripture is II Corinthians 5:7 (For we walk by faith, not by sight).

President Brave, Jr. resides in Mount Pleasant, SC, with his wife of 47 years, Jacqueline. They have one son Charles (Trey), a daughter-in-law, Katie, and three wonderful granddaughters, Taylor, Reagan, and Payton, who reside in Irmo, SC.

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"Thank you for all that you do for the working people of SC!"



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CONGRATULATIONS!

President

Charles Brave Jr.



What a prestigious honor to receive the "Richard L. Trumka World Peace Prize for Solidarity". Thank you for your leadership, continued dedication, and commitment to Organized Labor, Social Justice, and Equality.

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Congratulations and Thank You again from our Membership. Well Deserved!

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Rev. Dr. Han Min Su

World Leader and Master Planner.

World Leader and Master Planner, the late Rev. Dr. Han Min Su, founded the World Peace Prize in Seoul, Republic of Korea, in 1989. Dr. Han was a Presbyterian Minister.

Dr. Han's vision was one of world peace and harmony.

Dr. Han had devoted his life to this great mission—knowing, as President Kennedy did, “that here on earth God’s work must truly be our own.” (Inaugural Address of President John F. Kennedy. January 20, 1961).

The World Peace Prize Awarding Council (WPPAC), which is headquartered in Seoul with an office in Washington, D.C, was established to select the recipients of the World Peace Prize.

The International and Interfaith Board is composed of representatives of all the major worldwide religions: Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, Confucianism, Catholicism, Protestantism, Orthodox, and Zoroastrianism.

Fr. Sean Mc Manus, President of the Capitol Hill-based Irish National Caucus, and Barbara Flaherty, Executive Vice President, were awarded with the World Peace Prize of Roving Ambassador for Peace and inducted as WPPAC Judges at a Ceremony in Seoul in 2013. Fr. Mc Manus was then selected as the Chief Judge of WPPAC.



Fr. Sean Mc Manus, Chief Judge

Fr. McManus explained: When we joined the World Peace Prize Awarding Council in 2013, we set out to accomplish TWO OBJECTIVES: The FIRST OBJECTIVE was this: to assert the fundamental truth and basic principle, that peace is the fruit of justice—that working for peace means, in fact, working for social justice. Without justice, there is no love. No Faith. No equality. No fairness. No decency. Without justice, there is no love of God, and, certainly, no love of neighbor.

And our SECOND OBJECTIVE was this: to firmly place the American Labor Movement in the category of those who, in fact, work for peace because the Labor Movement works for justice.

If you look at America and ask the question: What group since the late 1800s has consistently worked for justice for the working men and women of America, what group comes to mind? What group has stood for equality, for solidarity, for "a just pay for a just day's work"?

Labor Leaders who spend their entire lives working in solidarity for justice for working men and women are, indeed, working for peace—not only nationally but also globally. Hence, Labor leaders are eminently qualified to be candidates for the World Peace Prize of "Roving Ambassador for Peace."

Of course, a memorable quote by Pope John Paul II, from one of his great Encyclicals helped us to make the case. Reflecting on the maxim "peace is the fruit of justice," the Pope declared: "Today, one could say, with the same exactness and the same power of biblical inspiration (cf. Isaiah 32:17; James 3:18) ... peace is the fruit of solidarity"— Encyclical, "Solicitude for social concerns." 39. 1988.

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Our Peace Prizes encourage members of the Labor Movement to positively think of themselves as not just fighters for justice but as peace builders as well. Our World Peace Prize for Labor Leadership, in particular, makes the connection between Labor and peace. I believe this gives an important dimension to Labor's self-understanding, self-image, and self-identity.

I urge Labor leaders to proudly claim this identity, to embrace it, and to promote it among the AFL-CIO. It is a powerful way to advance Labor and promote solidarity."



Barbara J. Flaherty, Judge and Corporate Manager

WORLD PEACE PRIZE AND LABOR



President Trumka gives acceptance speech. Feb. 3, 2016



WORLD PEACE PRIZE

Fr. Sean McManus, President Richard Trumka and Mrs. Barbara Trumka.
February 3, 2016.



Fr. Sean Mc Manus, Barbara Flaherty, and President Richard. L. Trumka on receiving the World Peace Prize for Labor Leadership at AFL-CIO Headquarters. June 19, 2018.

“I want to thank Barbara Flaherty, Fr. McManus, and the World Peace Prize Awarding Council for recognizing the nexus between Organized Labor and peace. Too many times in the past we were not looked at as being part of the peace process. So, I really appreciate the World Peace Prize Awarding Council recognizing the connection between fighting for social justice and peace.” —President Richard L. Trumka, AFL-CIO in his acceptance address on receiving the World Peace Prize for Labor Leadership at AFL-CIO Headquarters in Washington, DC. June 19, 2018.).

**TO HEAR PRESIDENT TRUMKA’S ENTIRE COMMENTS,
CLICK OR PUT INTO BROWSER—**

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/13ZF5S61DVCS7Cuey4YAl3Dn6kA0ztr3C/view>

Liz Shuler New President of AFL-CIO, Worthy Successor of President Trumka

Trailblazer: First woman Secretary-Treasurer of AFL-CIO, and now first woman President



**Fr. McManus and Liz Shuler, then Secretary-Treasurer, AFL-CIO Headquarters.
February 3, 2016.**

Liz Shuler, then AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer, was one of the very first Labor Leaders to endorse President Trumka's vision and support of the World Peace Prize, and its importance to American Labor. Here Liz is photographed with Fr. McManus in front of the famous fresco in the Samuel Gompers Room, with the equally famous AFL-CIO name on podium —when President Trumka launched the World Peace Prize within the American Labor Movement by being its first recipient: “Roving Ambassador for Peace,” on February 3, 2016.

And then on February 5, 2019, Ms. Shuler spoke at the honoring of Elizabeth Powell and Esther Lopez (see that photo below).



Barbara Flaherty introducing then Sec/ Treas Liz Shuler at the ceremony honoring Elizabet Powell, Sec/Treas, APWU and Esther Lopez, International Sec/Treas, UFCW. Feb. 5, 2019

"Thank you, Barbara Flaherty for the kind introduction. I also want to thank Father Sean McManus for his leadership and vision, as well as Reverend Dr. Han Min Su and the entire World Peace Prize Awarding Council for everything they do to build a better world.

There is a crystal-clear connection between the labor movement and peace and justice in our world. It's a central part of our mission, our history, and the work we are proud to be leading today.

Peace and justice come through unity and solidarity — it doesn't just land in your lap...you have to fight for it we are striving for peace and justice for all working people...and working women are leading the way." Feb. 5, 2019



Liz Shuler, Elizabeth Powell, Secretary-Treasurer, American Postal Workers Union (APWU), Esther Lopez, International Secretary-Treasurer, United Food and Commercial Workers Union (UFCU), Barbara Flaherty, and Fr. Sean McManus. Feb. 5, 2019



Tefera Gebre, Executive Vice President, AFL-CIO with Fr. Sean McManus. Tefera received World Peace Prize Roving Ambassador for Peace. Dec. 5, 2017



Fr. Sean McManus and John Sweeney Former AFL-CIO president. Feb.14, 2017.



Barbara Flaherty, Fr. Sean McManus conferring President Richard Trumka with the World Peace Prize of "Roving Ambassador for Peace," February 3, 2016.



President Trumka gives acceptance speech. Feb. 3, 2016



Fr. Sean Mc Manus, Chief Judge, World Peace Prize Awarding Council and President of the Irish National Caucus, speaking at AFL-CIO Headquarters on the occasion of President Richard Trumka receiving the Roving Ambassador for Peace Prize. Feb. 3, 2016.



Barbara Flaherty, President Trumka, Princess Nakamaro and Dr. Chai Ho Kim listening to Fr. McManus explaining the history and meaning of the World Peace Prize at AFL-CIO Headquarters February 3, 2016.



Dr. Chai Ho Kim, above photo, and Princess Nakamaru, below photo, presenting Fr. McManus with a Certification of Appreciation from the World Peace Prize Awarding Council at AFL-CIO Headquarters. February 3, 2016.





Barbara Flaherty, Fr. Mc Manus, President Trumka, Princess Nakamaru and Dr. Chai Ho Kim At AFL-CIO Headquarters. Feb. 3, 2016.



Barbara Flaherty, Chairperson, closes the World Peace Prize Award Ceremony at AFL-CIO Headquarters. Feb. 3, 2016.

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—President Richard L. Trumka, AFL-CIO in his acceptance address on receiving the World Peace Prize for Labor Leadership at AFL-CIO Headquarters in Washington, DC. June 19, 2018. (To review President Trumka's acceptance speech, go to vimeo.com/275953504).



Fr. Sean Mc Manus, Barbara Flaherty, and President Richard. L. Trumka on receiving the World Peace Prize for Labor Leadership at AFL-CIO Headquarters. June 19, 2018.



Fr. McManus and AFL-CIO President Trumka. 2018



Fr. McManus and John Sweeney, former President AFL-CIO



Induction Ceremony, Seoul, South Korea, 2013. Dr. Han is at podium.



Fr. Sean McManus speaking at Induction Ceremony, Seoul, South Korea, 2013.



Barbara Flaherty speaks at Induction Ceremony, Seoul, South Korea, 2013.



Induction Ceremony, Seoul, South Korea, 2013.



Dr. Han Min Su and Fr. Sean McManus.

“I want to give my personal and corporate congratulations to President Trumka for being the inaugural and most worthy recipient of the World Peace Prize for Labor leadership. There is no better choice for this award. Fr. McManus and Barbara Flaherty have told me very many wonderful things about His Honor, President Trumka. So, I know that in honoring him, he, in turn, honors us by accepting our World Peace Prize for Labor Leadership.

The entire World Peace Prize Awarding Council and I believe that the stated mission of the AFL-CIO aligns perfectly with our own peace-criterion: ‘The AFL-CIO resolves to fulfill the yearning of the human spirit for liberty, justice and community: to advance individual and associational freedom; to vanquish oppression, privation and cruelty in all their forms; and to join with all persons, of whatever nationality or faith, who cherish the cause of democracy and the call of solidarity to grace the planet with these achievements ...’”—Dr. Han Min Su, June 19, 2018.

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Mark Dimonstein President, APWU, Liz Powell, Secretary-Treasurer APWU and Fr. McManus



Barbara Flaherty, Michael Carrigan, President, Illinois AFL-CIO, and Fr. McManus. Nov. 8, 2019.



Fr. McManus, Rev. Terrence Melvin and Barbara Flaherty. Albany, NY. Apr. 30, 2019



Barbara Flaherty, Dr. Everett Kelley. AFL-CIO Headquarters, Washington, DC. July 9, 2019

“Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly.” —Martin Luther King, Jr., "Letter from the Birmingham Jail."



Martin Luther King, III and Fr. Sean McManus protesting outside the British Embassy. St. Patrick's Day, 1988.



Fr. Sean McManus welcomes the late, famed Labor leader Cesar Chavez, above photo, and equally famed Rep. John Lewis (D-GA), and Rep. Joe Kennedy (D-MA), below photo, to 1988 St. Patrick's Day picket at the British Embassy, Washington, D.C.



Fr. Sean shakes hands with Representative John Lewis (D-GA) at 1988 St. Patrick's Day picket at the British Embassy, Washington, D.C.



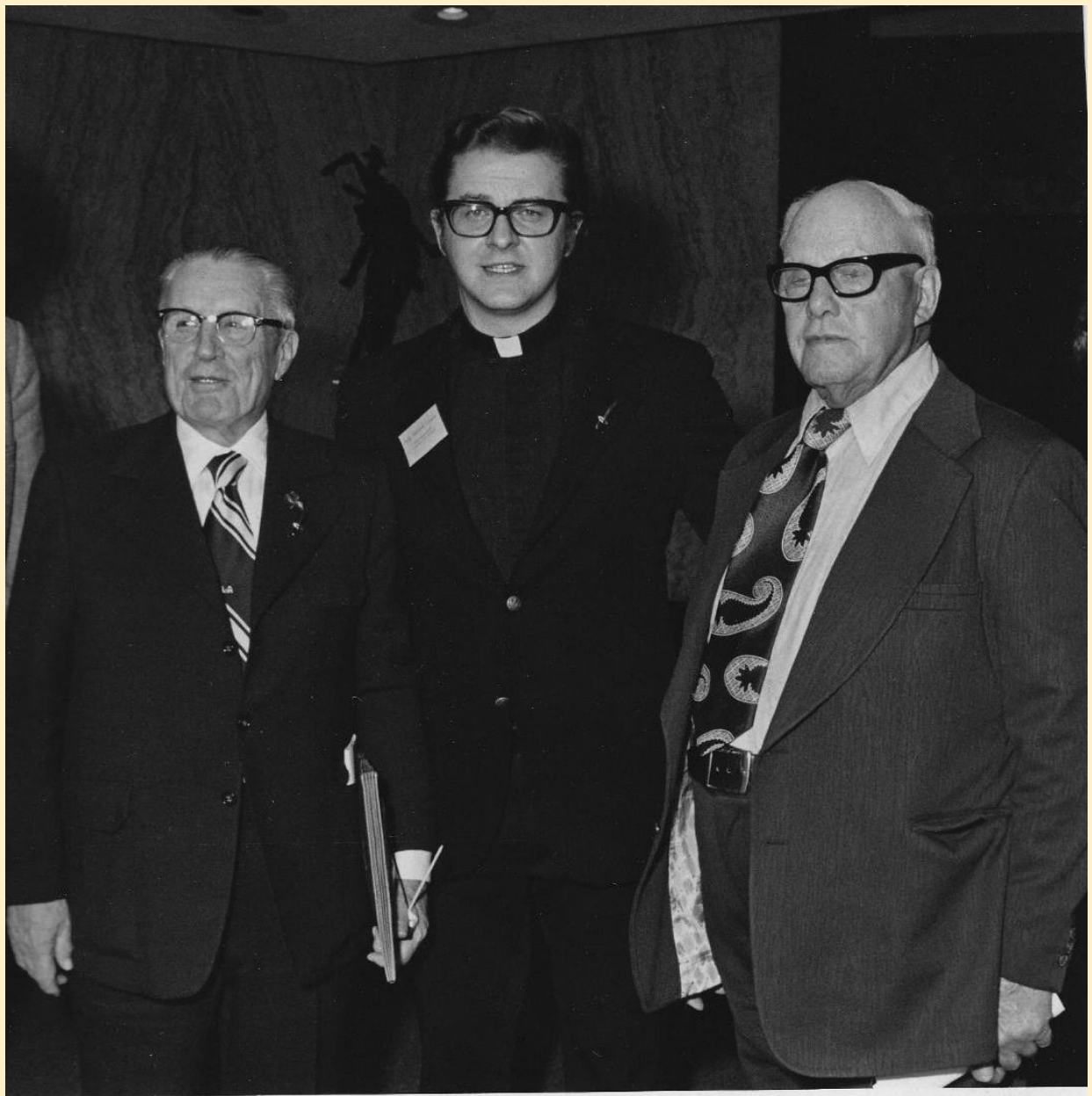
Fr. Sean with Representative Joe Kennedy (D-MA) at 1988 St. Patrick's Day picket at the British Embassy, Washington, D.C.

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I know that Father McManus has moved the needle [on justice and human rights], and, Father, for that I offer you, on behalf of the entire AFL-CIO, a sincere, Thank you." - President Richard L. Trumka AFL-CIO, February 3, 2016.

Fr. Sean McManus—President of the Capital Hill-based Irish National Caucus—has had a very long on-going association with American Labor. He founded the Irish National Caucus on February 6, 1974. In February 1975, the Executive Council of the AFL-CIO invited him to Bal Harbour, Florida, to brief them on the Irish Issue. The Executive Council endorsed the Irish National Caucus. Then about ten years later, the Executive Council invited Fr. McManus to brief them on the Mac Bride Principles—a corporate code of conduct for American companies doing business in Northern Ireland. The AFL-CIO became the first significant group to endorse the Mac Bride Principles.

President Trumka, Tefera Gebre, Liz Powell and John Sweeney have each been awarded with the World Peace Prize of "Roving Ambassador for Peace" by Fr. McManus—who is also Chief Judge of the international and interfaith World Peace Prize (headquartered in Seoul, South Korea). President Trumka also received the new World Peace Prize for LABOR LEADERSHIP on June 19, 2018



Teddy Gleason, President, ILA, Fr. McManus and George Meany, President, AFL-CIO,
Bal Harbour, Florida, 1974



L-R : Patrick J. Campbell, president, United Brotherhood Carpenters (1982-1988);Teddy Gleason, President, International Longshoremen Association (1963 to 1987);Tom Donahue, Secretary-Treasurer, AFL-CIO (1979-1995) and president in 1995.



Fr. McManus and Moe Biller, President APWU (1980-2001). 1999.



"I want to thank the World Peace Prize Council, Father McManus, and Barbara Flaherty for all you do and for thinking of me for this honor. Thank you, Reverend Dr. Han Min Su for your vision and kind words."-- Tefere Ghebre Executive Vice President, AFL-CIO, on receiving World Peace Prize. December 5, 2017.



SECRETARY-TREASURER LIZ SHULER SPOKE AT OUR HONORING OF ELIZABETH POWELL, SECRETARY-TREASURER, APWU, AND ESTHER LOPEZ, SECRETARY-TREASURER, UFCW. (AFL-CIO HEADQUARTERS, FEBRUARY 5, 2019).

Liz Shuler, AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer, Endorses President Trumka's vision and support of World Peace Prize —its meaning and significance:

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It's a central part of our mission, our history, and the work we are proud to be leading today.

Peace and justice come through unity and solidarity — it doesn't just land in your lap...you have to fight for it we are striving for peace and justice for all working people...and working women are leading the way." — February 5, 2019. AFL-CIO Headquarters. Washington, DC.



Fr. McManus and Liz Shuler, then Secretary-Treasurer, AFL-CIO Headquarters, Washington, D.C. February 3, 2016.

President Shuler warmly welcomed the World Peace Prize initiative in re-naming the Solidarity Prize in honor of President Trumka, stating: “Rich Trumka’s contributions to peace and prosperity around the world were countless. He was a global ambassador for worker rights, economic justice, dignity, and respect for all human beings. I can think of no one more deserving of this honor.” November 8, 2021.



Fr. McManus, President Trumka, and Mrs. Barbara Trumka February 3, 2016. AFL-CIO HEADQUARTERS.

The Trumka family said: “Rich believed deeply in bringing diverse groups together to address their common struggles. He knew the power that came from solidarity, and he worked to maintain it. We are honored that Rich’s name will live on, always linked with solidarity and peace because the World Peace Prize for Solidarity will be re-named in his honor the ‘Richard L. Trumka World Peace Prize for Solidarity’

WORLD PEACE PRIZE—NOW KEY PART OF PRESIDENT TRUMKA'S GREAT LEGACY —MANTLE PICKED UP BY SON, RICH, JR.—



WORLD PEACE PRIZE



**Son and Father: Rich Trumka, Jr. April 25, 2023. Washington, D.C.
President Richard Trumka, Sr., AFL-CIO Headquarters. Washington, D.C.
Feb. 3, 2016.**

**THE WORLD PEACE PRIZE MADE THE HISTORIC
DECISION IN 2013 TO PLACE AMERICAN ORGANIZED
LABOR IN THE CATEGORY OF THOSE WHO SHOULD BE
CONSIDERED FOR THE WORLD PEACE PRIZE.**

**PRESIDENT TRUMKA HAD THE VISION AND LEADERSHIP
TO FORMALLY LAUNCH THE PRIZE WITHIN ORGANIZED
LABOR FROM HIS OWN HEADQUARTERS BY RECEIVING
THE WORLD PEACE PRIZE OF ROVING AMBASSADOR FOR
PEACE, IN 2016; AND THE SECOND PRIZE, WORLD PEACE
PRIZE FOR LABOR LEADERSHIP, IN 2018.**

**PRESIDENT TRUMKA ALSO HAD AGREED TO ACCEPT THE
FINAL PRIZE, WORLD PEACE PRIZE FOR SOLIDARITY, BUT
DIED ON AUGUST 5, 2021, BEFORE RECEIVING IT. THAT
PRIZE WAS POTHUMOUSLY PRESENTED TO THE TRUMKA
FAMILY, HIS WIFE, MRS. BARBARA TRUMKA, AND HIS SON,
RICH, JR. ON JANUARY 5, 2023.**

LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON

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Washington, D.C. April 25, 2023.



On April 25, 2023, Rich, Jr. said: “Thank you, Father McManus, and thank you, Barbara Flaherty. I was so pleased when you attached my father’s name to the award that you’re bestowing today ... So, I’m proud that his name is forever connected to the recognition that peace is Union business ... The button that I’m wearing [IMAGE OF BUTTON ABOVE] I found in my dad’s desk drawer recently. It’s got the dove of peace carrying its olive branch, and it says, “Peace is Union Business.” I wish I knew its origins, but I know that the message is spot on.

And Father McManus, as you spread the message connecting labor and peace, I’d like you to have it.”

[Fr. McManus was very touched by the symbolism and solidarity of this gesture].

PRESIDENT TRUMKA'S APPRECIATION



Barbara Flaherty, Fr. McManus, and President Richard Trumka. AFL-CIO Headquarters, Washington, D.C. Feb. 3, 2016.

President Trumka said: "I know that Fr. McManus has moved the needle [on solidarity, justice, and peace in Northern Ireland], and, Father, for that I offer you on behalf of the entire AFL-CIO, a sincere thank you." —On his receiving the World Peace Prize of Roving Ambassador for Peace—February 3, 2016.

President Trumka said, "I want to thank Barbara Flaherty, Fr. McManus, and the World Peace Prize Awarding Council for recognizing the nexus between Organized Labor and peace... I really appreciate the World Peace Prize Awarding Council recognizing the connection between fighting for social justice and peace."

—President Trumka, in his acceptance address on receiving the World Peace Prize for Labor Leadership at AFL-CIO Headquarters in Washington, DC. June 19, 2018.

LIZ SHULER



Liz Shuler, AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer, Endorsed President Trumka's Vision and Support of World Peace Prize —its Meaning and Significance:

"Thank you, Barbara Flaherty, for the kind introduction. I also want to thank Father Sean McManus for his leadership and vision, as well as Reverend Dr. Han Min Su and the entire World Peace Prize Awarding Council for everything they do to build a better world. There is a crystal clear connection between the labor movement and peace and justice in our world.

It's a central part of our mission, our history, and the work we are proud to be leading today.

Peace and justice come through unity and solidarity — it doesn't just land in your lap...you have to fight for it we are striving for peace and justice for all working people...and working women are leading the way." — February 5, 2019. AFL-CIO Headquarters.

Washington, D.C.

AND AS PRESIDENT OF AFL-CIO, LIZ SHULER WELCOMED THE RE-NAMING OF THE PRIZE:

"RICH TRUMKA'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO PEACE AND PROSPERITY AROUND THE WORLD WERE COUNTLESS. HE WAS A GLOBAL AMBASSADOR FOR WORKER RIGHTS, ECONOMIC JUSTICE, DIGNITY, AND RESPECT FOR ALL HUMAN BEINGS. I CAN THINK OF NO ONE MORE DESERVING OF THIS HONOR." November 6, 2021.

WORLD PEACE PRIZE

“PEACE IS THE FRUIT OF SOLIDARITY”

—Pope John Paul. Encyclical: *Sollicitudo rei socialis* (“Solicitude for social concerns”) 1988.

“True peace is not merely the absence of tension; it is the presence of justice.” —Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



Rev. Dr. Han Min Su, Co-founder of WPPAC, with Chief Judge, Father Sean Mc Manus, President of the Irish National Caucus. October 24, 2013, Seoul, South Korea.

**Fr. Seán McManus, Chief Judge • Barbara J. Flaherty, Judge, Chairperson of ceremony
Seoul, South Korea-Capitol Hill, Washington, D.C.**

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