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A Call for Justice at Pulte Homes

Unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build it. – Psalm 127:1

Pulte Homes is one of the largest residential home builders in the United States. Like most other developers, it relies on contractors to build its homes. Workers employed by contractors which Pulte uses report high injury rates, dangerous working conditions, lack of safety training, nonpayment of overtime, wages so low that workers must work 60-70 hours a week to survive, and a lack of affordable healthcare. Many of these workers report intimidation and harassment and are particularly vulnerable because of their immigration status. They deserve our support.

Pulte Homes has a clear responsibility towards the employees who build its houses, through the enormous power that it wields in selecting which contractors will do the construction work. Pulte must choose responsible contractors that will respect workers' rights and the public good.

The recognition that all humanity is created in the divine image has profound implications for employers to insure that employees, including the employees of its contractors, are treated with dignity and respect. We call on Pulte Homes to develop and enforce an ethical contracting policy to ensure that workers who build its houses receive living wages, decent benefits and safe working conditions.

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