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## **MORE LOCAL LABOR UNIONS ENDORSE MAYOR BROWN'S RE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN**

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Buffalo, New York - With Labor Day weekend well underway, Buffalo Mayor Byron W. Brown's re-election campaign today announced endorsements from several more prominent Buffalo labor unions: the Carpenters Union Local 276, United Automobile Workers (UAW), Communications Workers of America (CWA), and the United Food and Commercial Workers International Union (UFCW).

"UAW members proudly endorse Byron W. Brown for Mayor of the City of Buffalo. Mayor Brown is the best candidate to unite us and address the needs of organized labor," said Jeff Binz, UAW Region 9 CAP Director. "As a strong pro-labor candidate, he fights to protect our interests and reflects our values. Mayor Brown knows that when unions are strong, families are strong. Buffalo is an excellent place to work and raise a family because of his leadership."

Daryl Bodewes, Team Lead of Carpenters Union Local 276 said, "The Northeast Regional Council of Carpenters is proudly supporting Byron Brown for a fourth term as Mayor of Buffalo because of his continued support for the people of Buffalo, New York. Now more than ever, we need political leaders who defend the middle class and its workers and fight for issues such as Project Labor Agreements and ensuring area standard wages and benefits."

"CWA is proud to support Mayor Brown because of his commitment to the rights of working people in our city. Last year, he stood up for our members on strike against Verizon and in bargaining for a fair contract with Catholic Health," said the WNY CWA Council.

UFCW Local One International Vice President Frank C. DeRiso stated, "On behalf of the members of Local One and their families, we believe the re-election of Mayor Byron W. Brown is beneficial to the labor movement, which plays an intimate role in the success of our state and nation in the 21st century. Our goal is to continue to protect and represent our membership and we look forward to working with Mayor Brown for four more years."

The UAW Region 9 covers western and central New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Region 9 members work in automotive, aerospace and steel industries, and include members at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York.

The Carpenters Local Union 276 represents 12 counties in the Western New York Area, and has more than 2,000 members.

The Western New York Council of the CWA coordinates the efforts of the CWA locals and retiree chapters in WNY. CWA represents more than 150,000 workers in New York, New Jersey, New England, and eastern Canada.

UFCW District Union Local One members work primarily in retail grocery stores and meat processing with growing numbers employed in retail drug stores, agriculture and food processing, hospitals, nursing homes and school transportation.

Mayor Brown is the endorsed candidate for the Democratic Party, Working Families Party, Women's Equality Party and Independence Party.

**PRIMARY DAY IS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017.**

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