

Wisconsin Working Families Party: Endorses John Tate II for 66th Assembly District

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Racine, Wisconsin — Wisconsin Working Families Party today endorsed Racine Alderman John Tate II in the special election for the 66th Assembly District seat vacated by newly-elected Racine mayor Cory Mason. The primary election is on December 19 with a general election scheduled on January 16th, 2018. The politically potent Working Families Party, which was critical to Mason's recent mayoral victory, will support Tate's candidacy by engaging grassroots volunteers in canvassing and get-out-the-vote efforts.

"Alderman John Tate II is a proven problem solver who'll be ready on day one to take on Scott Walker and his big money interests. He'll fight for good jobs and higher wages, equity and resources for Racine public schools, and racial and economic justice," said Rebecca Lynch, political director of the Wisconsin Working Families Party. "John is part of the progressive wave sweeping Southeastern Wisconsin with the election of Cory Mason as Racine mayor and Randy Bryce's red hot campaign against Paul Ryan."

A Wisconsin Working Families Party member and social worker raised in a union household, John Tate II has represented Racine's Third Aldermanic District over the past year. In addition to his Alder duties, he is also treasurer for Randy Bryce's status-disrupting run for Congress against House Majority Leader Paul Ryan.

"Thank you to the Wisconsin Working Families Party for endorsing my candidacy to

represent the 66th Assembly District,” said John Tate II. “I am a proud member of the WFP and their work in Racine has helped strengthen our progressive base here. The endorsement of the Working Families Party sends a powerful signal to voters that I am the proven, populist champion who will work tirelessly to improve the lives of all working families.”

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The Working Families Party is a grassroots political organization. With chapters in Wisconsin and a dozen other states, as well as a membership that spans the nation, the Working Families Party works to advance public policies that make a difference in the lives of working people, like raising the minimum wage, stopping bad trade deals, taking on Wall Street, tackling climate change, and combating racial injustice. Working Families brings these issues to the ballot box and the halls of government at the federal, state and local levels.