

Barnes campaign: Iron Workers Union Local 8 endorses Mandela Barnes for Lieutenant Governor

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Union represents Iron Workers in Wisconsin and Michigan's Upper Peninsula

Milwaukee: The Bridge, Structural, Ornamental, and Reinforcing Iron Workers Union Local 8 has endorsed Mandela Barnes for Lieutenant Governor of Wisconsin. Local 8 joins the Communication Workers of America (CWA) and Working Families Party as labor groups who have endorsed Barnes' candidacy thus far. Said Barnes of the endorsement:

"It's no secret that the Walker-Kleefisch administration has been devastating for Wisconsin workers. Wages and benefits have failed to keep pace with other states, particularly our neighbors to the west in Minnesota, and worker protections continue to be undercut. It's time we had leadership in Madison who instituted pro-worker reforms, including raising the minimum wage to \$15 per hour and indexing to inflation, restoring collective bargaining for all workers, and repealing "right-to-work for less." As Lieutenant Governor, I will be one such leader. I want to thank the Iron Workers for standing with me in this race, as I will continue to stand with them.

Mandela's campaign is based on restoring and expanding opportunity across Wisconsin, beginning with what he dubs the 4 Essentials of Opportunity: Equity in

Healthcare, Economic Progress, Investment in Education, and Environmental Protection. Barnes is a former 2-term state legislator and community organizer from Milwaukee. For more information about the campaign, visit www.mandelabarnes.com.