

# Barnes campaign: SEIU Wisconsin State Council endorses Mandela Barnes for Lt. Governor

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MILWAUKEE — Today the SEIU Wisconsin State Council announced their endorsement of Mandela Barnes in the race for Lieutenant Governor of Wisconsin. The SEIU Wisconsin State Council coordinates the legislative and political agenda for Wisconsin's eight SEIU locals that represent over 10,000 members across the state. SEIU's membership is among the most diverse in the labor movement and includes public sector, building services, and health care employees.

"I am proud to win the endorsement of the SEIU State Council because I am running for Lieutenant Governor to continue amplifying the collective voices of workers organizing to build power and raise wages," said Barnes. "Wisconsin deserves leaders who will stand in solidarity with workers. During the Fight for Fifteen, I was grateful for the opportunity to march the picket lines alongside low-wage workers and speak out at rallies demand \$15 as a wage floor for all workers. As Lieutenant Governor, I will both push legislation to improve the standard of living for all workers and show up to march the picket line when workers make the call."

The SEIU Wisconsin State Council endorsement is the latest in a string of support for the Mandela Barnes campaign from organized labor, including UAW, CWA, Teamsters, Ironworkers Local 8, AFT Local 212, and the Wisconsin State AFL-CIO

Mandela Barnes is a former two-term state legislator, community organizer, and

policy professional from Milwaukee. He is seeking the Democratic nomination for Lieutenant Governor in the August 14th primary election. More information is available at [www.mandelabarnes.com](http://www.mandelabarnes.com).