

Barnes campaign: Wisconsin mayors endorse candidate for U.S. Senate

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MADISON— Today, current and former mayors from across the state endorsed Lieutenant Governor Mandela Barnes for United States Senate. In their endorsement, they highlighted Barnes' proven ability to speak to voters in every corner of the state and his commitment to supporting communities from Superior to Milwaukee.

I'm proud to endorse Mandela Barnes for United States Senate," **said LaCrosse Mayor Mitch Reynolds.** "The week of his launch, Mandela came to La Crosse to highlight the strength and resiliency of our community and discuss how we can create equal opportunity for everyone in La Crosse. With Mandela in the Senate, I know La Crosse will have a fighter who stands for good-paying jobs, accessible and affordable health care, and action on our climate crisis. I look forward to standing shoulder to shoulder with him in this campaign."

"Mandela Barnes has what it takes to defeat Ron Johnson and make history as Wisconsin's next U.S. Senator and I'm so excited to endorse him for the United States Senate," **said former Fitchburg Mayor and Wisconsin's first Black elected Mayor Frances Huntley-Cooper.** "Mandela has a proven ability to speak to voters in Milwaukee, Fitchburg, and communities all across our state. His big and bold vision for Wisconsin makes him the best candidate in this race. Together, I know we can build a movement that changes the game and brings a fresh voice and new perspective to Washington, DC."

"I'm thrilled to endorse Mandela Barnes for United States Senate," **said Glendale Mayor Bryan Kennedy.** "During his time as lieutenant governor, Mandela has made Glendale and communities like ours across the state a priority. He has listened to our concerns and stepped up to help solve problems. I know he will do

the same in the Senate. If elected, Mandela will fight for the critical policies that will help our communities thrive. Mandela is the candidate that can beat Ron Johnson, build bridges with Senate colleagues, and help bring civility back to the US Senate.”

“Mandela Barnes has the experience we need to take his bold vision to the United State Senate and that is why I am so excited to endorse his campaign,” **said McFarland Village President Carolyn Clow.** Mandela understands that when things get tough, we shouldn’t settle for less, we should try to change the game. In the Senate, Mandela will work to bring opportunity to every child, person, and family in Wisconsin, no matter their zip code. Because of his relentless advocacy for people across the state, I know Mandela is the best candidate to beat Ron Johnson and deliver for Wisconsin.

“Mandela Barnes is a leader who believes in every corner of this state,” **said Superior Mayor Jim Paine.** “That’s why I’m endorsing him for United States Senate. With Mandela Barnes in Washington, I know Superior will have a voice who will fight for affordable health care, climate action, and a fair economy where work provides stability and prosperity. I can’t wait to partner with him to make Wisconsin a State that works for everyone.”

The endorsements come just two weeks after Barnes’ 12-stop statewide campaign launch tour highlighting his vision to create good-paying jobs, expand access to affordable health care, and tackle the climate crisis. The mayors join Congresswoman Gwen Moore, State Senator Chris Larson, Dane County Executive Joe Parisi, Collective PAC, Democracy for America, MoveOn, the Progressive Change Campaign Committee, and the Working Families Party in their endorsement of Barnes.