MORE UNIONS SUPPORT I. DANEEK MILLER FOR RE-ELECTION TO THE CITY COUNCIL
Nurses, Laborers, PBA, COBA, Carpenters, Sanitation, Teamsters for Miller

City Council Member I. Daneek Miller secured more support from public and private sector unions in his quest for re-election as City Council Member for the 27th District (Southeast Queens). Unions representing NYC Police Officers, Correction Officers and Sanitation, Nurses, Carpenters and Laborers all recently endorsed Council Member Miller.

Council Member I. Daneek Miller, Chairman of the Council’s Committee on Civil Service and Labor, now counts on the support of the New York State Nurses Association (NYSNA), the Patrolmen’s Benevolent Association (PBA), District Council of Carpenters of New York City and Vicinity, Mason-Tenders District Council of the Laborer’s International Union of North America (LiUNA), Uniformed Sanitationmen’s Association Local 831 International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Teamsters Joint Council 16 and the Correction Officers Benevolent Association (COBA).

“Your commitment to addressing the issues affecting New York City police officers is well recognized, and its is an honor to have you representing our members, in the Council,” stated PBA President Patrick J. Lynch who knows the councilman since his involvement as an activist in labor issues with Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1056. “We look forward to continuing to work with you towards our shared goal of a stronger, safer New York.” The PBA represents 50,000 active and retired New York City Police Officers.

“We will notify the more than 6,400 active and more than 8,000 retired members of our union that we are strongly supportive of your candidacy, stated Local831 President Harry Nespoli. The nearly 15,000 members of the Mason Tenders District Council (MTDC) include construction workers, asbestos and hazardous materials handlers, Catholic High School teachers, recycling and waste handlers. The COBA represents approximately 18,000 active & retired members citywide who provide care, custody and control for inmates and detainees as well as city workers working inside the jail facilities. NYSNA is a union of 40,000 frontline nurses working in 170 voluntary and public hospital and other facilities throughout New York, including 80 in New York City. Joint Council 16 represent 27 Teamsters Locals and 120,000 members.
As Chair of the City Council’s Committee on Civil Service and Labor, Councilman Miller passed laws to better the lives of working families. This includes paid sick leave, paid family leave for public employees and protecting building service, school custodial, grocery store and fast food workers. Civil Service and Labor Chairman Miller also secured a centrally located City testing center where prospective and current municipal employees can take advantage of city employment and promotional opportunities.

Councilman Miller who previously served as President of Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1056 and co-chair of the MTA Labor Coalition, also sponsors legislation to enforce pay equity for the city’s workforce. “No municipal union had contracts when I took office,” added the Councilman. “Today 99% of labor reached agreements.

The Councilman’s campaign previously announced the endorsement of The New York City Central Labor Council (CLC), a federation of 300 labor unions representing 1.3 million members across the New York City region; District Council 37 (DC37) AFSME, New York City’s largest public employee union with 51 locals representing more than 125,000 members and 50,000 retirees; 1199SEIU United Healthcare Workers East, the largest affiliate of the Service Employees International Union (SEIU), representing 220,000 nurses and caregivers in the New York City area and 250,000 members statewide; SEIU 32BJ, the largest union of property service workers in the U.S., with 163,000 members; The Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Union (RWDSU); Communications Workers of America Local 1180 (CWA Local 1180), one of CWA’s largest public sector locals representing more than 8,500 workers and 6,200 retirees; Transport Workers Union Local 100 which represents some 41,000 workers and 26,000 retirees in the New York City public transportation system and at some private bus lines serving the New York City metropolitan area; and the NYC locals of The Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU) – the largest labor union in the U.S. and Canada representing 190,000 transit and allied workers.

Daneek has lived in Southeast Queens in the 27th Council District for the nearly four decades. He also serves as Democratic District Leader for Part A of the 33rd Assembly District. Prior to taking public offices his involvements included the Southern Queens Parks Association, the NYC Middle School Sports Association, Brothers Unlimited and United Black Men of Queens.

Expert more announcement as Primary Day approaches.

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