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Dear Union Family:

Midterm elections are a vital part of American democracy. Held halfway through a president's four-year term, they often draw less attention than presidential elections, yet they profoundly influence the direction of government, public policy, and national stability.

When the president is on the ballot, about 65% of eligible Philadelphians vote. Without a presidential race, turnout falls to 35%. Local news coverage may suggest that Philadelphia does not have the state's most consequential races this year but make no mistake: a great deal is at stake.

This year's midterms will provide a critical check on the power of Trump and MAGA Republicans. On Tuesday, November 3, 2026, Pennsylvanians will elect a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, members of the U.S. House of Representatives and Pennsylvania House of Representatives, and state senators in odd-numbered districts. Philadelphia voters will also decide two ballot measures.

District Council 47's endorsement process is, as always, thorough, and this election was no exception. Endorsements reflect candidates' positions on critical issues affecting our union siblings and their families.

Following a highly publicized primary in the 3rd Congressional District, one of our recommended candidates prevailed. The PEOPLE Committee recommended a full endorsement of Chris Rabb for the district, and the DC 47 Delegate Assembly approved that recommendation.

Control of the Pennsylvania General Assembly is at stake in 2026, and a handful of seats will determine who shapes policy across the Commonwealth. We have an opportunity to maintain Democratic control of the Pennsylvania House and flip the Pennsylvania Senate. Combined with the reelection of Governor Josh Shapiro and Lieutenant Governor Austin Davis, these majorities could advance long-sought priorities for AFSCME members, including stronger worker protections, revenue measures that support our salaries, and quality-of-life legislation benefiting our families and communities.

The Delegate Assembly made no recommendation on the two ballot questions.

Members can learn more about our endorsed candidates by visiting https://dc47.org and selecting the Legislative tab. A digital version of this ballot slate is also available there for use at the polls.

In solidarity,
April Gigetts
President

In solidarity,
Robert Harris
Vice President, Legislative Director

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Enclosures: Ballot Slate and Flyers

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2026 General Election Endorsements

Tuesday, November 3, 2026

VOTE

PENNSYLVANIA GOVERNOR (1)	PENNSYLVANIA LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR (1)	REPRESENTATIVE OF US CONGRESS (1)
Button #101:	Button #101:	Button #102:
Gov. Josh Shapiro* (D)	Lt. Gov. Austin Davis* (D)	Chris Rabb (D)
*INCUMBENT	*INCUMBENT	

PENNSYLVANIA STATE SENATOR (1) 2ND DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE SENATOR (1) 4TH DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE SENATOR (1) 8TH DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 10TH DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 170TH DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 172ND DIST.
Button #103:	Button #103:	Button #:	Button #:	Button #:	Button #104:
Sen. Christine Tartaglione* (D)	Sen. Art Haywood* (D)	NO ENDORSEMENT	NO ENDORSEMENT	NO ENDORSEMENT	Rep. Sean M. Dougherty* (D)
*INCUMBENT	*INCUMBENT				*INCUMBENT

PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 173RD DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 174TH DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 175TH DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 177TH DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 179TH DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 180TH DIST.
Button #104:	Button #104:	Button #104:	Button #104:	Button #104:	Button #104:
Rep. Pat Gallagher* (D)	Rep. Ed Neilson* (D)	Rep. Mary Isaacson* (D)	Rep. Joseph Hohenstein* (D)	Rep. Jason Dawkins* (D)	Rep. Jose Giral* (D)
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PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 181ST DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 182ND DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 184TH DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 185TH DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 186TH DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 188TH DIST.
Button #104:	Button #104:	Button #104:	Button #104:	Button #104:	Button #104:
Rep. Malcolm Kenyatta* (D)	Rep. Ben Waxman* (D)	Rep. Elizabeth Fiedler* (D)	Rep. Regina Young* (D)	Rep. Jordan A. Harris* (D)	Rep. Rick Krajewski* (D)
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PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 190TH DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 191ST DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 192ND DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 194TH DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 195TH DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 197TH DIST.
Button #104:	Button #104:	Button #104:	Button #104:	Button #104:	Button #104:
Rep. Roni Green* (D)	Rep. Joanna E. McClinton* (D)	Rep. Morgan B. Cephas* (D)	Rep. Tarik Khan* (D)	Sierra McNeil (D)	Rep. Danilo Burgos* (D)
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PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 198TH DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 200TH DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 201ST DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 202ND DIST.	PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPRESENTATIVE (1) 203RD DIST.
Button #104:	Button #104:	Button #104:	Button #104:	Button #104:
Rep. Darisha Parker* (D)	Chris Johnson (D)	Rep. Andre Carroll* (D)	Rep. Jared Solomon* (D)	Rep. Anthony Bellmon* (D)
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Vote by: 11/3

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- *Register to vote.*
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Ballot Questions:

NO RECOMMENDATIONS