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State AFL-CIO Endorses Candidates for Primary Election

*Illinois' largest labor organization
to activate member-to-member program*

Representatives of local and statewide labor organizations met Tuesday in Burr Ridge to endorse candidates for the March 20 Primary Election in Illinois.

More than 100 representatives make up the Illinois AFL-CIO's Committee on Political Education (COPE) that issues endorsement recommendations to the federation's Executive Board. The Board ratified the endorsements later on Tuesday.

Topping the endorsement list were Democratic candidates for U.S. Congress including Bobby Rush (1st District), Jesse Jackson, Jr. (2nd), Dan Lipinski (3rd), Luis Gutierrez (4th), Mike Quigley (5th), Leslie Coolidge (6th), Danny Davis (7th), Jan Schakowsky (9th), Bill Foster (11th), Brad Harriman (12th), Matt Goetten (13th), Dennis Anderson (14th) and Cheri Bustos (17th).

The Illinois AFL-CIO also endorsed in primaries for General Assembly, as well as Appellate Court races (list accompanies this release).

"The delegates thoroughly discussed and debated merits of getting involved in these races," Illinois AFL-CIO President Michael T. Carrigan said. "This election is crucial to working families both on the state and federal levels. As our state and country starts pulling out of recession, rebuilding the middle class and closing the income gap have to be top priorities."

Carrigan said the state federation would boost the campaigns through its Labor 2012 program.

"We have nearly two million registered voters out of union households in this Illinois," Carrigan said. "In many of these areas, union families can and will directly affect the outcome of vote."

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| Congress | Senate | House | |
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| 1st Bobby Rush - D | 1st Tony Munoz - D | 1st Dan Burke - D | 74th Donald Moffitt - R |
| 2nd Jesse Jackson Jr. - D | 2nd Willie Delgado - D | 2nd Edward Acevedo - D | 76th Frank Mautino - D |
| 3rd Dan Lipinski - D | 3rd Mattie Hunter - D | 3rd Luis Arroyo - D | 77th Angelo "Skip" Saviano - R |
| 4th Luis Guterriez - D | 4th Kimberly Lightford - D | 4th Cynthia Soto - D | 78th Camille Lilly - D |
| 5th Mike Quigley - D | 5th Annazette Collins - D | 5th Ken Dunkin - D | 79th Katherine Cloonen - D |
| 6th Leslie Coolidge - D | 6th John Cullerton - D | 6th Esther Golar - D | 80th Anthony DeLuca - D |
| 7th Danny Davis - D | 7th Heather Steans - D | 8th LaShawn Ford - D | 83rd Linda Chapa LaVia - D |
| 9th Jan Schakowsky - D | 8th Ira I. Sliverstein - D | 9th Art Turner Jr. - D | 84th Alex Arroyo - D |
| 11th Bill Foster - D | 9th Daniel Biss - D | 10th Derrick Smith - D | 86th Jack McGuire - D |
| 12th Brad Harriman - D | 10th John G. Mulroe - D | 11th Ann Williams - D | 95th Brad Gillespie - D |
| 13th Matthew Goetten - D | 11th Martin Sandoval - D | 12th Sara Feigenholtz - D | 98th Natalie Manley - D |
| 14th Dennis Anderson - D | 12th Steven Landek - D | 13th Gregory Harris - D | 103rd Naomi Jakobsson - D |
| 17th Cheri Bustos - D | 13th Kwame Raoul - D | 14th Kelly Cassidy - D | 111th Daniel Beiser - D |
| | 14th Emil Jones, III - D | 15th John D'Amico - D | 113th Jay Hoffman - D |
| | 15th Donna Miller - D | 16th Lou Lang - D | 114th Eddie Lee Jackson - D |
| | 16th Jacqueline Collins - D | 17th Laura Fine - D | 116th Jerry Costello II - D |
| | 17th Donne Trotter - D | 18th Robyn Gabel - D | 117th John Bradley - D |
| | 18th Bill Cunningham - D | 19th Rob Martwick - D | 118th Brandon Phelps - D |
| | 20th Iris Martinez - D | 20th Michael McAuliffe - R | |
| | 22nd Michael Noland - D | 21st Albert Cacciottolo - D | |
| | 25th Steven Hunter - D | 22nd Michael Madigan - D | |
| | 28th Dan Kotowski - D | 23rd Michael J. Zalewski - D | |
| | 30th Terry Link - D | 24th Lisa Hernandez - D | Judicial |
| | 31st Melinda Bush - D | 25th Barbara Flynn Currie - D | 1st App. Ct. Nathaniel Howse, Jr. -D |
| | 34th Dan Lewandowski - D | 27th Monique Davis - D | 1st App. Ct. P. Scott Neville, Jr. - D |
| | 36th Mike Jacobs - D | 28th Robert Rita - D | 1st App. Ct. William Boyd - D |
| | 38th Tom Ganiere - D | 29th Thaddeus Jones - D | 1st App. Ct. Maureen Connors - D |
| | 39th Don Harmon - D | 30th Will Davis - D | 5th App Ct. Judy Cates - D |
| | 40th Toi Hutchinson - D | 31st Mary Flowers - D | |
| | 42nd Linda Holmes - D | 32nd Andre Thapedi - D | |
| | 43rd A.J. Wilhelmi - D | 33rd Marlow Colvin - D | |
| | 46th Dave Koehler - D | 34th Elgie Sims, Jr. - D | |
| | 47th John Sullivan - D | 36th Kelly Burke - D | |
| | 48th Andy Manar - D | 38th Al Riley - D | |
| | 49th Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant - D | 39th Toni Berrios - D | |
| | 52nd Michael W. Frerichs - D | 55th Martin J. Moylan - D | |
| | 54th Danny L. Stover - D | 57th Elaine Nekritz - D | |
| | 56th William Haine - D | 60th Rita Mayfield - D | |
| | 57th James Clayborne, Jr. - D | 62nd Sam Yingling - D | |
| | 59th Gary Forby - D | 67th Chuck Jefferson - D | |
| | | 68th Carl Wasco - D | |
| | | 71st Mike Smiddy - D | |
| | | 72nd Pat Verschoore - D | |