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NJFMBA ENDORSES MAYOR MARTY SMALL

RAHWAY, NJ – The New Jersey Firefighters Mutual Benevolent Association (NJ FMBA) the largest union representing career firefighters, EMTs, and dispatchers in the state of New Jersey, has announced their endorsement of Atlantic City Mayor Marty Small in the upcoming Democratic Primary election.

“The more than 200 firefighters we represent in Atlantic City put their lives on the line every day to keep their community safe,” Eddie Donnelly, President of the NJFMBA, which has more than 6,000 members said. “They deserve a leader who will stand with them shoulder to shoulder during tough times, and make sure they have the manpower, training, and resources they need to do their jobs as safely as possible.”

“Mayor Small is that candidate, and we are proud to stand by him by offering him our endorsement for his reelection campaign.”

“Under Governor Christie’s leadership that Atlantic City was taken over by the state, a move that had serious consequences. Our collective bargaining was ripped away.” Donnelly said. “If Christie left any legacy, it was one of vilifying the men and women that keep communities safe.”

“During this time, Atlantic City’s firefighters faced drastic pay cuts, increased work hours, health care reductions, and multiple attempts to lay off members, including one that came five days before Christmas.” Donnelly added.

“Under Mayor Small we have begun to unwind that damage,” Donnelly said, noting that civil service and collective bargaining rights have been restored, every piece of front-line apparatus has been replaced, and four of the six firehouses have been renovated. “While we have more work to do, Mayor Small has worked with us to greatly improve working conditions and has committed to continuing fight.”

“This represents all that is right, when an administration works with its public safety Union to provide the safest service for our members and the residents and visitors of Atlantic City,” Donnelly concluded.

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