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McCRACKEN RECEIVES MAJOR LABOR ENDORSEMENTS Electrical Workers' and Iron Workers' Union Endorses McCracken Campaign

Mark B. McCracken, Democratic candidate for United States House of Representatives in the 5th Congressional District of Pennsylvania is proud to announce that he has received the endorsements from the 2,760 plus members of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local Union #5 and the 263 member International Association of Bridge, Structural, Ornamental & Reinforcing Iron Workers Local Union #772.

In receiving the endorsement of these important labor organizations, Mr. McCracken stated "I am honored to have my candidacy endorsed by two organizations that represent the working people of Pennsylvania. I know firsthand the struggles our working class face and I plan on being a strong voice in Washington for the people who work hard everyday, but lack the representation at the federal level they deserve."

During McCracken's tenure as a Clearfield County Commissioner, he has worked to establish a working relationship with representatives of organized labor within Clearfield County to keep them advised on economic development projects. In endorsing McCracken's candidacy, Michael Dunleavy, Business Manager for IBEW Local #5 wrote "I am convinced that your viewpoints and stance on issues that concern not only organized labor, but the well-being of all working Pennsylvanians are sound. Your inclusion of labor as part of the process of economic development and job creation is commendable. To us, your background and professional experience makes your candidacy a sound investment."

These labor endorsements offer a significant boost to the candidacy of Mark B. McCracken to be the next congressman for the 5th congressional district. The endorsements by the IBEW and the Iron Workers offer positive proof of the pro-active and involved leader that Mark B. McCracken is as a county commissioner which is the same effort he will put forth as a member of Congress.

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If you'd like more information about this topic, or to schedule an interview with Mr. Mark B. McCracken, please email either mkamccracken@verizon.net or the Media & Policy Advisor at vmo1701@gmail.com.



International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers

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March 25, 2008

Mark McCracken
McCracken for Congress
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Dear Mark:

On behalf of the 2,760 plus members of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 5, I am pleased to inform you that we have endorsed your candidacy for the United States House of Representatives in the Fifth Congressional District of Pennsylvania on the democratic ballot.

In the past few years, the surge of construction projects and jobs that go with them coming into Clearfield County shows that you, as a county commissioner, were willing to work hard for working class people. You have shown fiscal responsibility from balancing budgets to controlling health care costs. You worked hand-in-hand with local union representatives in negotiating a contract for county employees.

Through the input of my assistant business managers in the Fifth Congressional District, I am convinced that your viewpoints and stance on issues that concern not only organized labor but the well-being of all working Pennsylvanians are sound. Your inclusion of labor as part of the process of economic development and job creation is commendable. To us, your background and professional experience makes your candidacy a sound investment.

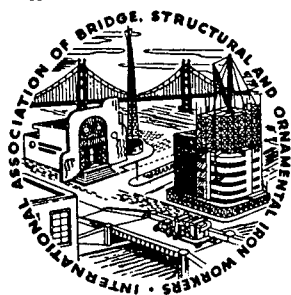
We look forward to working together with you as a United States Congressman, and we will do everything we can to help you win your upcoming election.

Yours very truly,

IBEW LOCAL UNION NO. 5

Michael R. Dunleavy
Business Manager

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International Association

**of BRIDGE, STRUCTURAL, ORNAMENTAL AND REINFORCING
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March 27, 2008

**Mark McCracken
McCracken for Congress
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Dear Mark:

On behalf of the 263 members of the International Association of Bridge, Structural, Ornamental & Reinforcing Iron Workers Local Union 772, I am pleased to inform you that our organization has endorsed your candidacy for the United States House of Representatives in the 5th Congressional District of PA on the Democratic ballot.

The working class population of Clearfield County can truly appreciate the hard work that you put forth as county commissioner.

As a union Business Manager I am convinced that you share the same concerns and positions that will benefit organized labor and all working Pennsylvanians.

We look forward to working together with you as a US Congressman. Please contact me if I can be of any help in your effort to win this election.

Sincerely,

**Robert P. Allen
Business Manager**