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Lori Trahan for Congress
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Dear Lori,

I write to inform you that the members of Iron Workers Local 7 have wholeheartedly endorsed your candidacy of United States Congresswoman from the 3rd Massachusetts District. As you are aware, working families in Lowell and its surrounding cities and towns in this District are finding it difficult to make ends meet in this global economy. One that does not believe in affordable healthcare, pensions or their ability to live comfortably in their adult years. It seems that the "bottom line" is the only thing people care about. They are not thinking of the social consequences that are created when people do not have the ability to plan for retirement or healthcare in their senior years. It is the taxpayer who will bear the burden of taking care of these future generations. Workers are being asked to contribute more to healthcare costs and forgoing pension contributions to pay their current energy, housing and living expenses which are escalating daily. While developers are lining their pockets with this same money, they are, in effect, fleecing the futures of your constituents.

Niki Tsongas was a great voice for labor and we knew that she always represented us with valor. We believe that you understand our views and will continue in that same manner protecting the working families of tomorrow. We need more legislators like you that are willing to do the hard work required, such as bringing people together to have challenging conversations that may never happen without your support. With that stated;

The 3,500 members of Local 7 stand with you in this election and are ready to support you in any way they can. With warm regards and best wishes, we are,

Respectfully yours,



Richard Abbott
And the Local 7 Political Action Committee