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August 25, 2008

To All Affiliates:

Frank Lautenberg for Senate Sample Local Union Letter and Flier

This year in New Jersey, we again find ourselves in the important position of picking a representative for the U.S. Senate. Fortunately, we already have a trusted leader in Frank Lautenberg. With his strong record of putting working families first as our Senator, Frank Lautenberg is someone we can count on to reform our broken health care system, protect our union rights, and bring economic relief to struggling families. We have to send a clear message to union voters that U.S. Senator Frank Lautenberg is the best choice for New Jersey's working families.

Enclosed, please find a sample local union letter and a sample newsletter article concerning Frank Lautenberg. We respectfully request that you copy the sample local union letter onto your local union letterhead and send a copy to every active and retired member. We also request that you please include the sample newsletter article in your local newsletter circulations. Worksite fliers should be delivered to you in the next few days by completing and returning the enclosed order form or by visiting www.njafclcio.org and clicking on the working families' toolkit button.

The New Jersey State AFL-CIO will regularly report to all national union political directors about each union's participation and progress with the Labor 2008 Program. To ensure that your union's Labor 2008 activities are accurately represented, please fax a copy of your union's letter and the local union worksite flier order form to (609) 989-8734. All of the above materials are also available electronically. Please contact COPE Director John Shea with any questions at cope@njafclcio.org or at (609) 989-8730.

Thank you for your cooperation. Working together, we'll win together on Election Day.

In Solidarity,

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The New Jersey State AFL-CIO will print customized local union fliers at no cost to the local union. Please complete the order form below and your union's fliers will be delivered to you by UPS within a few days. Fax completed forms to the New Jersey State AFL-CIO at (609) 989-8734.



New Jersey State AFL-CIO Labor 2008 Customizable U.S. Senate Fliers

UPS Deliver To:
(Please Print)

Name: _____

Union: _____

Address: _____

Select 3 issues for your customized flier

- _____ Jobs / Trade
- _____ Tax cuts for the wealthy
- _____ Health Care
- _____ Bargaining rights
- _____ Retirement Security
- _____ Prevailing wage

Number of NJ residents in local union _____

Customize Top of Flier:

An Important Message From _____

Customize Bottom of Flier:

How you vote is a personal decision. **Your union believes Frank Lautenberg is the best choice for working families.** For more information, contact your union at (_____) _____ - _____ or visit www.njaficio.org.

September 2008, Local Union Letter – U.S. Senate, New Jersey

Please copy this letter onto your local union letterhead. The President or Business Manager is strongly encouraged to sign the letter and mail it to every active and retired member living in New Jersey:

Please fax a copy to the NJ State AFL-CIO at (609) 989-8734.

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September 2008

This November, the working people of this country have a real opportunity to change Washington so it works for working families. We have the power to take back Congress, create a mandate for government to fix America's broken health care system, and create an economy where workers are valued. New Jersey voters must elect a leader who fights for working families to the U.S. Senate.

Fortunately, we already have a trusted leader in Frank Lautenberg. A strong advocate and ally, we have counted on Frank Lautenberg for more than 23 years in the U.S. Senate. With his strong record putting working Americans first, we can count on Frank to reform our broken health care system, protect our union rights, and bring economic relief to families struggling to get by.

We have a long road ahead of us to secure a better America for our families. While securing a presidential victory for working families is important, what we do in the halls of Congress in 2009 will be just as important. We need an experienced representative who has already proved he is ready to lead.

We need someone who has voted for the Employee Free Choice Act and will continue protecting our workers' freedom to choose a union. We need someone who has stood up to an administration that attacked the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP), and will fight hard for these programs to continue. We need someone who has voted to increase the minimum wage, fights for prevailing wages, against privatization, against sending our jobs overseas, and someone who will work to give lasting tax breaks to middle class families. Frank Lautenberg has been on our side on the issues that matter most to New Jersey's working families.

On November 4th, think carefully about the issues that matter most to you. **In the end, how you vote is a personal decision**, but you and your family deserve a leader who will fight for working families. Your union believes that Frank Lautenberg has earned your support.

In Solidarity,

Newsletter article for United States Senator Frank Lautenberg, September 2008

All affiliated unions are encouraged to include this sample article in your next newsletter publication. Please mail a copy of your union's newsletter to:

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U.S. Senator Frank Lautenberg: A Trusted Leader Who Stands With Working Families

This year, while the eyes of the world will be focused on the presidential race, we cannot lose sight of how important it is to fill the halls of Congress with leaders on the side of working families. With a big victory in November, we can create a mandate for our leaders to fix our broken health care system and create an economy where workers are protected and valued.

In New Jersey, we find ourselves this year in the important position of choosing a representative for the U.S. Senate. Fortunately, New Jersey already has a trusted leader in Frank Lautenberg. A strong advocate and ally, we have counted on Frank for more than 23 years in the U.S. Senate. With his strong record putting working Americans first, we can count on Frank to reform our broken health care system, protect our union rights, and bring economic relief to families struggling to get by.

When looking ahead to what we want to accomplish in the coming years, we should carefully consider who has stood with us in the past and has proven he is ready to lead. Frank voted for the Employee Free Choice Act and will continue protecting our workers' freedom to choose a union. Frank stood up when the Bush administration attacked the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP), and will fight hard for these programs to continue. Frank voted to increase the federal minimum wage and will work to give lasting tax breaks to middle class families. Frank Lautenberg has been on our side on these issues that matter most to us, and will help accomplish an agenda that puts America back on track.

On November 4th, think carefully about what matters to you when you vote. **In the end, how you vote is a personal decision**, but you and your family deserve a leader who will fight for you. We believe that Frank Lautenberg will continue to stand with us in the U.S. Senate.