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SENATOR ANTOINE M. THOMPSON SECURES KEY ENDORSEMENTS IN HIS BID TO WIN RE-ELECTION

(Buffalo, NY) Local and statewide organizations have cast an early vote for senator in the 60th district. Senator Antoine M. Thompson (D-Parts of Erie and Niagara Counties) has been recently endorsed by the Erie County Democratic Committee, United Auto Workers, the New York Nurses Association, Boilermakers Local 7, Stonewall Democrats, Marriage Equality New York and the Communication Workers of America (CWA).

Roger Chenez, president of CWA, describes Thompson as courageous. "Senator Thompson has been an advocate for working families and CWA issues. Our group is nine to 10,000 members strong and we are proud to endorse Senator Thompson," said Chenez. The CWA represents employees in telecommunications, healthcare, broadcast, print media and printing.

Jeff Friedman of Marriage Equality said, "Marriage Equality New York's Political Action Committee is proud to endorse Senator Thompson. Senator Thompson, like the majority of New Yorkers, understands that equality applies to all people. We applaud his continued efforts in advancing equality and look forward to working with him in the 2011 senate session."

Senator Thompson said, "I am honored that various unions, advocates and organizations have tapped me to continue to serve their interests and the interests of the residents in the 60th senatorial district. I will continue to be the progressive leader getting results that they have grown to rely on for the past four years."

ABOUT SENATOR ANTOINE THOMPSON

Senator Antoine M. Thompson currently represents the State of New York's 60th District, which includes parts of Erie and Niagara counties and the cities of Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Tonawanda and the town of Grand Island. Successfully serving two terms, Senator Thompson has championed many issues including environmental conservation. As the chair of the Environmental Conservation Committee in the senate, Thompson has accomplished legislative victories, enacting laws that have a positive impact on air, water and green space quality, as well as the health of all New Yorkers. Other top priorities for Senator Thompson include education, healthcare, transportation, small business, minority and women business enterprises, economic development and public safety. He is responsible for bringing millions of dollars into the district to support these priorities.

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