

Teamsters Local Union No. 810

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Teamsters Local 810, representing over 8,000 current members and retirees throughout the United States and Puerto Rico, proudly endorse Vice President Kamala Harris and Minnesota Governor Tim Walz to be the next President and Vice President of the United States of America.

Our hard working, essential and diverse membership are truck drivers, manufacturers, warehouse workers, automotive sales/repair, custodians, groundskeepers, nursing home CNA's / dietary housekeepers, restoration/water proofers, building superintendents, fabricators, skilled maintenance engineers, mechanics, and helpers. Many of our members are immigrants or children of immigrants from around the globe that came to this country for a better life and in the pursuit of happiness. Today, they have Union jobs that pay well, provide plenty of paid time off, retirement benefits and quality family health coverage. The American Dream!

Since our charter was created in 1953, Local 810 has been at the forefront of improving the lives of our members and their families through strong collectively bargained contracts. Our Union also has a long history of supporting those that fight for the rights and freedom of others. In 1963, our Union joined the 'March on Washington' to demand job equality for ALL. In 1971, Local 810 members shut down lower Manhattan and went on strike against NYU demanding fair wages. Our most recent fights have been on the steps of statehouses and Capitol Hill to demand the government save the pensions that they put in danger of collapsing due to decades of anti-Union legislation. For more than 70 years we have secured a voice in the workplace, fought alongside those in need, and secured benefits for generations of Teamster families.



Local 810 representatives and members at the March on Washington in 1963.



Local 810 Vice President, Nelson Silva on the steps of the Ohio Statehouse in 2018

The Local 810 Executive Board has voted unanimously to endorse the only candidates who have shown that they are pro-Union and through their own actions, improved the lives of working people and their families. Governor Walz, a former Union member (NEA), walked alongside striking



autoworkers last year while also signing into law a sweeping package of pro-worker legislation. Vice President Harris saved the pensions of millions of Union workers and their families when she casted the tie-breaking vote to pass the American Rescue Plan.

“For years we were ignored by our government while our pensions crumbled. The politicians that were responsible for trucking deregulation, failed bankruptcy reform and NAFTA, who sent our jobs across the border and overseas while decimating our Union’s membership, refused to fix the problem that they caused”, Local 810 President, Mike Smith. “We stood on the steps of statehouses, wrote letters to the House and Senate to pass the Butch Lewis Act, yet nothing happened. It was not until President Biden signed off on the Rescue Plan, thanks to Vice President Harris’ tie-breaking vote, that we finally found the retirement security that thousands of our members and their families desperately needed”.

Although the General Executive Board of the Teamsters has decided not to endorse a candidate in this election, GP Sean O’Brien encouraged Local Unions and Joint Council leadership to endorse who they feel can best represent its members. “Our General President and Executive Board took a stand against Washington. Sean knows that our membership consists of both Democrats and Republicans. He also knows that over the last 40 years both the ‘D’s’ and the ‘R’s’ in Washington are responsible for the collapse of Union membership and the middle class through ill-thought-out legislation. For far too long we have been a blank check for politicians that have not followed through with their promises. I commend him and our IBT leaders for their commitment to our membership, knowing that some may not agree with their decision. True leaders do not put their own self-interests ahead of others, they make tough decisions that need to be made, and they also do not dictate what other leaders do, unlike our prior administration. In the last few years, our current administration has grown this Union through hard-fought organizing, negotiated historic agreements and brought life back to the Labor Movement. By supporting and encouraging Teamster leaders around the country to make our own collective decisions regarding the endorsement of the next POTUS, Sean has shown once again that he is a true leader. I am voting ‘Harris/Walz’ in hopes that they continue to prove themselves to our leadership, our members, and our families” Local 810 President, Mike Smith.

Although the Local 810 Executive Board has voted to endorse the Harris/Walz ticket, we completely encourage and support our members to vote for who they believe is best for them and their families. The most important thing is to be sure to VOTE. Regardless of the differences of opinions on social and economic issues, we are all Union Brothers and Sisters. However the vote turns out this November, our current Local 810 administration plans to continue the hard work and dedication that has produced some of the most historic contract agreements in recent history. God bless you all.