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Legislative Representatives and Secretaries
State of New Jersey
SMART Transportation Division

Dear Sirs and Brothers:

Election Day this year will be November 8, 2016 with the polls open from 6 a.m. until 8 p.m. Enclosed with this mailing are our election recommendations. The following are important dates for our members concerning this year's election:

October 18, 2016 - Deadline to register to vote in the November General Election.

November 1, 2016 - Deadline to apply to receive mail-in ballot (Vote by Mail) application by mail (for the General Election).

November 7, 2016 - Deadline for in-person mail-in ballot (Vote by Mail) application (for the General Election).

We are enclosing extra copies of this letter for you to post at your work locations and/or to distribute to members. In addition the above information as well as voter registration and vote by mail (VBM) applications can be accessed through the web at the www.nj.elections.org.

The recommendation of Hillary Clinton for President was made by SMART General President Sellers and the SMART General Executive Council. We know that many of our

members are thinking of voting for her opponent, Donald Trump. We would warn you and those members to look at the records of both candidates. Hillary Clinton has served as a U.S. Senator and Secretary of State and during the Presidency of her husband, Bill Clinton, had a front row seat in the White House as policy decisions were made and legislation enacted that led to a budget surplus and economic prosperity for our nation. She is without a doubt one of the most qualified candidates for President of the United States in our country's history. Compare this to the record of her opponent who as a businessman has publicly stated his support for Right to Work (for less) legislation and also said that American workers make too much money. Add those statements to his having no experience in government and we're sure you will see our warning to those members thinking of voting for him is well founded.

Here in New Jersey we recently saw how important who sits in the White House can be. Our members at New Jersey Transit (NJT) were in contract negotiations for more than five (5) years. They were under tremendous pressure from the Christie administration to accept a contract with raises so small and increases in the amount of employees' health care contributions so big that they would have been working for less money at the end of the contract. Instead thanks to the provisions of the Railway Labor Act (RLA) that permitted a Presidential Emergency Board (PEB) and President Obama our members as well as all rail workers at NJT got the **best contract** of any group that has negotiated with the Christie administration.

Our Congressional recommendations include Republicans and Democrats who have stood with us. These candidates have supported SMART Transportation Division (TD) members on issues such as Railroad Retirement and Social Security, Amtrak, Commuter Rail, Bus and Transit funding and increased Rail and Bus safety and security.

In New Jersey we also have state elections in the Eighteenth Legislative District and a list of labor candidates running for offices from Congressmen to local town council positions. The

labor candidates are fellow union men and women that have attended the New Jersey State AFL-CIO labor candidate's school and deserve our support.

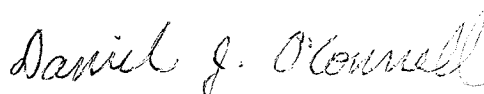
We have told you and our members before that **Elections Have Consequences**. This year that statement is especially true. We have a choice, sit on the sidelines and do nothing or be active and vote. **Vote** for candidates who have supported us in the past. **Vote** for candidates who will support us in the future.

Please help us to help you, encourage our members and their families to register to vote and vote on Election Day.

Thank you in advance for all your efforts.

As always, I remain

Fraternally and sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Daniel J. O'Connell".

Daniel J. O'Connell
State Director

cc: Mr. James Albi, Secretary-NJSLB
Mr. Robert Belle- Director Emeritus-NJSLB
Mr. Dirk Sampson - General Chairperson-Amtrak/Conrail
Mr. Steve Burkert - General Chairperson-New Jersey Transit
Mr. John W. Smith III – General Chairperson- Community Transportation
Mr. Thomas Giacolona – General Chairperson-Suburban Transit
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GENERAL ELECTION

NOVEMBER 8, 2016

Recommendations from the New Jersey State Legislative Board

President

Hillary Rodham Clinton (D)

House of Representatives

1 st	District	Donald Norcross (D)*
2 nd	District	Frank A. LoBiondo (R)*
3 rd	District	Tom MacArthur (R*)
4 th	District	Christopher Smith (R)*
5 th	District	Joshua Gottheimer (D)
6 th	District	Frank Pallone, Jr. (D)*
7 th	District	Leonard Lance (R)*
8 th	District	Albio Sires (D)*
9 th	District	Bill Pascrell, Jr. (D)*
10 th	District	Donald Payne, Jr. (D) *
11 th	District	Rodney P. Frelinghuysen (R*)
12 th	District	Bonnie Watson Coleman (D)

* Incumbents

State Elections

State Senator-18th District- Patrick Diegnan*

Assemblyman-18th District- Robert Karabinchak

New Jersey State AFL-CIO

Labor Candidates

June 20, 2016

<u>Name</u>	<u>Union</u>	<u>Office Sought</u>
David Gonzalez	AFGE District 2	Fairfield Twp Committee
Rich DiLucia	AFSCME 1199C	Monroe Twp Committee
Eric Richard	AFT/AAUP 6324	West Amwell Committee
Anthony DePrince*	AFT 4907	Magnolia Council
Jon Erickson*	AFT/CNJSL 2187	Highland Park Council
Janice Blackburn*	ALPA	Belmar Council
John F. Capo	BAC 4	Totowa Council
Judy Ward*	CWA 1012	Pleasantville Council
Jay Springer*	CWA 1036	Eastampton Council
James J. Toto*	CWA 1078	Somers Point Council
Lolita Slater*	CWA 1080	Linden Board of Education
Joseph Hiles*	CWA 1085	Woodstown Council
Nicholas Di Felice	IBEW 98	Williamstown Council
Christian Barranco	IBEW 102	Pompton Lakes Council
Thomas Sullivan*	IBEW 164	Bergen County Freeholder
Donald Norcross*	IBEW 351	U.S. House of Representatives CD-01
Dennis Tapp*	IBEW 351	Somers Point Council
Steve Martinelli*	IBEW 351	Buena Vista Council
Warren "Mike" Vizzard	IBEW 351	Commercial Township Committee
Joe Montella	IBEW 400	Howell Council
Anthony Zeno*	IBEW 456	Eastampton Council
Michael Riordan	IBEW 827	Brigantine Council
Louis Fontana*	IBEW 1158	Little Falls Council
Frank Phillips	IBT 331	Absecon Mayor
Lewis Brown*	IBT 676	Mt. Holly Council
Pat Lepore*	IBT 802	Passaic County Freeholder
Roger Silva*	IFPTE 196	Hamilton Twp Council
Dahlia Vertreese	IUOE 68	Hillside Board of Education
Michael McGlynn*	IUOE 68	Fairfield Council
Mathew Walker*	IUOE 825	Buena Borough Council
Latham Tiver*	IUOE 825	Burlington County Freeholder
Thomas Hickson	IUOE 825	Pittsgrove Committee
Thomas Sparacio	OPCMIA 592	Washington Twp Council
Greg Handshy	UA 9	South Toms River Council
Jeffrey Marolda*	UA 322	Buena Borough Council
Anthony Verrelli	UBC 254	Mercer County Freeholder
Steve Stokes	UBC 255	Atlantic County Freeholder
Dan Christy*	UBC 255	Gloucester County Freeholder
Claire Volpe*	UFCW 1360	Maple Shade Council
William Blong	UFCW 1360	Williamstown Council

*Incumbent