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The Hon. Fred Akshar  
New York State Senate  
1607 SOB, Hawley St.  
Binghamton, NY 13901

Dear Senator Akshar:

The American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) is pleased to endorse your re-election for the New York State Senate. This endorsement is based on your support of issues of importance to public and non-profit employees. As a State Senator, you have been an advocate for working families and the essential public services that New Yorkers rely on.

AFSCME is New York’s largest public service union with over 400,000 members from six affiliates including CSEA, District Council 37, District Council 1707, AFSCME Council 66, AFSCME Council 82 and AFSCME Council 35.

AFSCME represents workers in every city, county, town, village and school district in New York State, as well as people who care for the sick and the elderly in public hospitals and nursing homes. Our members care for the mentally ill, the disabled and the infirm. Our law enforcement members maintain public safety and security. The AFSCME membership keeps our state running every day. **New York works because our members do.**

We wish you the best of luck in your campaign and look forward to working with you to improve the lives of all New Yorkers now and in the future.

Sincerely,

Brian McDonnell  
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