

## 1159 Membership,

You should be receiving ballots in the mail this week for the 2024 May primary. The following are our endorsements of the candidates that we believe support our issues through wages, hours, working conditions, safety, and retirement securities. We believe that your vote is a personal choice and there are many factors in your decision-making process. These are Local 1159 leadership endorsements based on our interview process and how candidate priorities align with our priorities.

- Lori Chavez DeRemer (Republican) - Oregon 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District
- Tootie Smith – Clackamas County Commission – Chair (non-partisan)
- Martha Schrader – Clackamas County Commission – Position 3 (non-partisan)
- Lynn Schoenfeld – Clackamas County Sheriff (non-partisan)

### Oregon 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District – Lori Chavez DeRemer - Endorsed

Local 1159 and Oregon State Fire Fighter Council has endorsed Lori Chavez DeRemer (Republican) for her re-election campaign. In the last two years, Lori has shown that she is engaged with labor at all levels and hired an AFL-CIO labor liaison to work directly with labor groups across Oregon 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District. During our time in DC the last two years we have met with Lori and she has doubled down on co-sponsoring firefighter bills at the national level and supported the Clackamas Fire levy. These bills include PFAS research for firefighter gear, Public Service Officer Benefits (PSOB), SAFER grant re-authorization and collective bargaining rights across the US. We have built a relationship with Rep. Chavez DeRemer and believe that she will continue to support our members.



### Clackamas County Chair – Tootie Smith – Endorsed



The Clackamas County chair position holds a lot of responsibility and weight in the direction of Clackamas County politics. After meeting with both candidates, Tootie Smith (incumbent) and Craig Roberts (opponent), we strongly feel that Tootie Smith has our best interests in mind. Tootie shares mutual concern for establishing a long-term plan for EMS within Clackamas County and holding AMR accountable. After our interview with Tootie Smith and Craig Roberts, we feel strongly that Tootie shares our priorities and is the right person for the position.

Clackamas County Commission – Position #3 – Martha Schrader – Endorsed

Martha has been serving as a Clackamas County Commissioner since 2003 and has been a voice for us at the county level. We have a long history with Martha and she shares our priorities and is regularly checking in with Local 1159 leadership. We have endorsed Martha for her 2024 re-election campaign and look forward to working with her at the County level through her next term. This will likely be Martha’s last term as a commissioner.



Sheriff – Lynn Schoenfeld – Endorsed



Clackamas Police Officer Association (POA) reached out to Local 1159 earlier this year to request a meeting with Local 1159 leadership and Lynn Schoenfeld, Sheriff Candidate. Local 1159 leadership met with both Lynn and, current Sheriff, Angela Bradenburg to share mutual priorities. Clackamas POA overwhelmingly supported Lynn Schoenfeld at over 95% for endorsement. After meeting with both candidates, Local 1159 leadership felt that Lynn shared our priority of more officers on the streets. We stand with our brothers and sisters with Clackamas County POA with our endorsement of Lynn

Schoenfeld for Sheriff.

Local 1159 has not endorsed for Clackamas County Commission position 4. Currently there are four candidates for this position and we look to interview the candidates that make it past the primary and will be on the ballot in November.

Please reach out to VP1 Mark Oelschlager, VP2 Andrew Gordian or President Nate Hon for further information on our endorsements.