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IATSE LOCAL 18 ENDORSES ALEX LASRY FOR U.S. SENATE

MILWAUKEE – The International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE) Local 18 announced its endorsement of Alex Lasry for the United States Senate today.

“IATSE Local 18 could not be more proud to endorse Alex Lasry to be the next United States Senator from the State of Wisconsin,” said Tom Gergerich, Business Manager for IATSE Local 18. “We worked directly with Alex when we organized the stagehands at Fiserv Forum and we have seen first hand his commitment to organized labor. Alex is our best shot at replacing Ron Johnson in Washington and is clearly the candidate that will be a major champion for labor in the Senate.

“Our unionizing efforts with Alex and the Bucks was one of the most open, pro-union experiences we have ever had with an employer. Alex opened the doors for us to use card check during the organizing process, and the Bucks immediately recognized the signed cards and agreed to neutrality. IATSE handed the cards in, they were counted, we had a majority, and the Bucks recognized IATSE.

“None of this would have happened without Alex’s leadership.”

The historic agreement to unionize Fiserv Forum stagehands went into effect on June 1, 2019. Prior to the enactment of this agreement, the stagehands at the Bradley Center were not unionized.

"I couldn't be more pleased to have been endorsed by IATSE Local 18," said Alex Lasry. "The tremendous job done by the hard working men and women of IATSE Local 18 has been widely complimented and recognized by all of the acts that have come through Fiserv Forum and helped make us a premier venue for the biggest acts in the world to book and return to."

IATSE is the third union to endorse Lasry joining the Wisconsin Teamsters Joint Council 39 and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 494.

The Democratic Primary Election for the United States Senate will be held Tuesday, August 9th, 2022. For more information about Alex Lasry and his campaign, visit www.alexlasry.com.