

# UNIFORMED PROFESSIONAL FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION OF CONNECTICUT

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TO OUR MEMBERS:

### **Why is the 2018 elections so important to you and your families?**

The answer is simple:

There is a concerted effort by candidates in Connecticut to abrogate collective bargaining, binding arbitration, pensions, and healthcare for our Union members. Specifically, the Republican gubernatorial candidate is captured on film stating, "Thank God for the Janus decision, forcing employees to join a union is un-American. I was clicking my heels three times, it takes them (Unions) right out at the knees."

Remember the 2017 Legislative session when 96 anti-labor/right to work bills were introduced by the Republican caucus. If it wasn't for all of Labor rising up in opposition, we would be a right to work State.

These are the issues and policies that puts food on your table, allows you to care for your children, and retire with security and dignity. All other issues are ancillary and will NOT protect and provide for you and your family.

**All** of the UPFFA endorsed candidates went through our vetting process as prescribed by our By-Laws and Policy Manual: the candidate filled out our questionnaire which was reviewed by the Legislative Committee, which issued a favorable recommendation to the Executive Board. The E-Board then voted to send the recommended candidates for final approval by our State-wide Delegates.

Please access [www.upffa.org](http://www.upffa.org) for a complete list of UPFFA endorsed candidates.

Fraternally,

Peter S. Carozza Jr.