



BINGHAMTON POLICE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION

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Mr. Richard David
45 Court Street
Binghamton, NY 13901

Dear Mr. David:

I'd like to take this opportunity to notify you that the Binghamton Police Benevolent Association has voted to officially endorse you for Mayor of the City of Binghamton. I want to offer my congratulations to you on behalf of the PBA.

As you know, the PBA put a great deal of effort into creating an endorsement process that gave all the candidates a fair and equal opportunity to make their case, as well as allow union members to ask specific and direct questions on a variety of issues. The Association appreciated your candid and thoughtful comments and answers to our questions and detailed comments about your vision for public safety.

The PBA feels that you are the candidate with the best combination of experience and expertise to lead the City at this time. The fact that you have previously worked at City Hall in the Mayor's Office, as well as have made contributions as a private citizen demonstrate your commitment to the City of Binghamton.

Historically the union has not endorsed any candidate for Mayor, but based on the current challenges facing the City, we need a Mayor who will work with and support the Police Department. We believe that you are that individual. You are the first candidate for Mayor that we are officially endorsing, so congratulations on that as well.

On behalf of the PBA we wish you luck on your campaign. In the next few weeks I'd like to get together so we can discuss ways the PBA can assist you in your efforts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Skinner", is written over a light blue circular stamp. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Thomas M. Skinner
President Police Benevolent Association