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LEGISLATIVE ACTION ALERT

ANOTHER WIN FOR LABOR DEMOCRAT PAM IOVINO WINS IN SPECIAL APRIL 2, 2019 PA ELECTION

**Senator in the General Assembly
for the 37th PA Senatorial District**



Press Release from the Pennsylvania AFL-CIO

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(PITTSBURGH, PA) The officers of the Pennsylvania AFL-CIO, President Rick Bloomingdale, Secretary-Treasurer Frank Snyder, on behalf of the 700,000 union members across our Commonwealth, and the 31,822 union members and their families in the 37th State Senate District have issued the following joint statement:

“Today, Pennsylvania’s Union members proved that our solidarity, and our issues of social and economic justice, win. The election of Pam Iovino to the 37th State Senate district is proof that workers’ rights will win the day. We congratulate the more than 31,000 hard-working women and men, who sent emails, who

talked to members at the doors and on the phones.

It is significant that this victory coincides with Equal Pay Day. We are proud to have elected a union sister and passionate supporter of workers’ rights to represent the working people of the 37th State Senate District. The Pennsylvania Union movement is excited to send the 13th woman to the Harrisburg’s State Senate to fight for working women and men.”

Pam on Labor (From Pam’s Web Site)

The labor movement is the backbone of Southwestern Pennsylvania and expanding access to labor unions is key to the future success of our commonwealth. I will stand side-by-side with labor to ensure that hard-earned pensions are not slashed. I will oppose so-called “Right to Work” legislation, which is a race to the bottom for worker pay and protections. And I will protect our existing prevailing wage laws to make sure all workers get the benefits of the important wage gains made in Pennsylvania. Last, but not least, we also need to make it easier to join a union, not harder, so more people can benefit from fair wages and good benefits.

Our New PA Senator’s Biography

I was raised in a suburb of Pittsburgh, the youngest of three. Our household was lower-middle socio-economically, however, my parents never let me lose sight of the idea that if I tried my best and I got a good education, I could be anything I wanted to be. This idea led me to graduation from Gettysburg College, then pursuing a commission in the U.S. Navy -- graduating with distinction from Officer

Candidate School, and eventually to earning a Master's degree from the Naval War College.

My 23-year career in the United States Navy, culminating in promotion to Captain, grounded me in a career of public service.

After tours as a Missile Maintenance Officer, Manpower analyst, Network Warfare program manager, Commanding Officer assignments, and Congressional Liaison I retired from the Navy. My retirement was to assume the Senate-confirmed Presidential appointment as Assistant Secretary at the Department of Veterans Affairs.

As Assistant Secretary, I was the Department's lead advocate on Capitol Hill for our nation's 25 million veterans and their families, protecting and improving their benefits. Most recently I served as the Director of Veterans Services for Allegheny County.

A career in public service, at the federal and local level, make me uniquely qualified to serve in Harrisburg. My life and my career have been dedicated to these pursuits and I am ready to work for people across our district.

I'm tested — I was a Captain in the Navy, and I was confirmed by our friends across the aisle to be Assistant Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs. I am ready to hit the ground running on day one as your State Senator. I will bring dignity, independence, and our shared values to Harrisburg because I believe deeply that this is what our families deserve.

