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LOCAL 32BJ ENDORSES ELIOT SPITZER FOR GOVERNOR

New York – Citing Spitzer’s successful efforts to recover backpay for hard-working New Yorkers, protect their hard-fought 401k savings and strengthen corporate governance, Local 32BJ today announced their decision to endorse Eliot Spitzer for Governor of New York State. The announcement, made today by Local President Mike Fishman, followed a unanimous decision from the Local 32BJ Executive Board.

“Eliot Spitzer has been the most pro-worker Attorney General in our history,” said Mike Fishman, Local 32BJ President. “As Governor, we are counting on his leadership in promoting responsible and equitable economic development as well as in raising private security standards through better wages and training.”

In 2005, Local 32BJ supported legislation in the City Council to require developers to provide living wages to new building service worker jobs, as well as affordable housing to local residents, in new developments in Greenpoint-Williamsburg and West Chelsea. The union is also leading a public campaign to make New York safe and secure by professionalizing some 60,000 private security officers in the New York City metropolitan area.

"I am proud to be endorsed by the building service workers of Local 32BJ," said Attorney General Spitzer. "By working hard to keep New York’s apartment buildings and office buildings clean, well-maintained and efficiently operated, they are a valuable and irreplaceable asset to our entire city."

With more than 85,000 members, including over 60,000 property service workers in New York, Local 32BJ is the largest private sector union in New York and the largest property service worker union in the country.

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