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Chicago Aldermanic Black Caucus Reaffirms its Support for Kim Foxx

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The Chicago Aldermanic Black Caucus is disappointed in the recent Republican endorsement by Alderman Brenden Reilly against the Democratic Candidate for Cook County State's Attorney, Kim Foxx. This happens far too often by elected officials who do not share the same community issues that directly affect the communities represented by the CABC.

Elected officials that switch political parties and lack commitment to Democratic values are careless. It does not benefit the residents or our neighborhoods to endorse Republican candidate Pat O'Brien, who has more than 27 wrongful convictions which has cost the city more than \$64 million dollars over the years. The reasoning of "Kim Foxx's failure to aggressively prosecute repeat gun offenders and violent criminals downtown" has no bearing in comparison to her track record of accomplishments for all residents across Cook County.

Since being elected in 2016, Kim Foxx has taken a stand against police misconduct, wrongful convictions, and prosecutorial biasness. Under her leadership, she has developed the Gun Crimes Strategies Unit that targets repeat gun offenders, and has saved City of Chicago taxpayer dollars by not focusing on cases against petty offenders. She has also increased alternative sentencing options by 25% through sending thousands of first-time and low-level offenders to mental health and drug treatment programs. Most recently, she expunged the records of more than 1,200 people who had been convicted of minor cannabis related offenses, and continues to deliver on her original campaign promise of vacating the wrongful convictions of hundreds of residents.

CABC has always supported Kim Foxx and are pleased to reaffirm our support for her today, agreeing with the general consensus that Chicago and Cook County cannot afford to go back to the ways of yesteryear with the lackluster leadership of Pat O'Brien. We must continue to look forward and re-elect Kim Foxx, someone who cares and understands the needs of our communities.

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