



LABORERS' INTERNATIONAL UNION OF NORTH AMERICA, AFL-CIO LOCAL UNION 270

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For years the members of Laborers' Local 270 have participated in the electoral process. We encourage our members to fulfill their civic duties. They volunteer their time to walk precincts and attend rallies for labor-friendly candidates. It is disappointing to hear Assemblywoman Nora Campos' account of the night when her husband provoked, defamed, and assaulted my wife and me, when Ms. Campos was not even present at the event. Her remarks are not only a distortion of the facts, but completely and intentionally false.

As a matter of fact, Laborers' Local 270 has in past years supported Nora Campos' candidacy. In previous elections, we not only assisted her financially, but we had our members walk precincts for her as well. Now that our union has decided to support a different candidate, we are being attacked and falsely accused of being "henchmen", "enforcers, and "thugs" for the candidates that we have endorsed. It is a shame to witness Assemblywoman Campos use her power and her position to attack me personally and the Laborers whom I represent. Our membership consists of hard-working men and women, mainly immigrants, who are the least well-compensated workers in the construction industry.

This abuse of her elected office is shameful. Like her husband Neil Struthers, Ms. Campos is demonstrating a pattern of threatening and attacking those who do not share their views. She is using the power and connections of her elected office to bully her constituents and to cover up for her husband's misconduct—namely, repeatedly and publicly threatening me with physical harm, publicly insulting me with ethnic and homophobic slurs, and physically assaulting both my wife and me at a public gathering with numerous witnesses present.

Sincerely,

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