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## **PFAW's Next Up Victory Fund Endorses Mandela Barnes for Lieutenant Governor**

*Barnes the lone Wisconsin Candidate to receive the progressive group's endorsement in 2018*

**Milwaukee:** People for the American Way's Next Up Victory Fund has announced its endorsement for Mandela Barnes, candidate for Lieutenant Governor of Wisconsin. PFAW's Next Up Victory Fund works to change the current political landscape by helping candidates 40 and under win state and local office.

"Our elected officials—especially on the state level—play a special role in confronting injustices and defending the values that lead to a fair and just country. Mandela Barnes is a passionate, effective advocate who is committed to expanding access to quality education and healthcare for the people of Wisconsin. He works with the integrity and courage necessary to make America better, and we are excited to endorse progressive leaders like Barnes who push for the change their communities need," said PFAW Political Director Lizet Ocampo.

"It is an honor to have the support of People for the American Way. PFAW stands for bold, progressive values that mean a fair shake for everyone. That's what I want to do in Wisconsin," said Barnes. "My commitment is to make Wisconsin work for everyday people and raise our state's standards for living wage jobs, access to quality and affordable healthcare, and great schools for our children."

People for the American Way is a progressive advocacy organization founded to fight right-wing extremism and defend constitutional values including free expression, religious liberty, equal justice under the law, and the right to meaningfully participate in our democracy.

Mandela Barnes is a former 2-term state legislator, community organizer, and policy professional from Milwaukee. He is seeking the Democratic nomination for Lieutenant Governor in the August 14<sup>th</sup> primary election. More information is available at [www.mandelabarnes.com](http://www.mandelabarnes.com).

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