

International Brotherhood of Boilermakers Thanks Rothman

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Pictured (L-R): Councilman Jay Brophy (Gloucester, NJ), Wall Township Mayor John Devlin (Wall Township, NJ), Rep. Rothman, and Steve Martin (Camden, NJ).

(Washington, DC)-On April, 23, 2008, New Jersey representatives of the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron Ship Builders, Forgers and Helpers met with Congressman Steve Rothman (D-NJ) to thank him for his ongoing commitment to American workers. Rothman welcomed the opportunity to hear from the Brotherhood and discuss a host of issues including trade, climate change, and health care.

"I will continue to fight for legislation that not only ensures workers' rights to organize and implements safe and fair working conditions, but also protects and helps create good-paying jobs for America's working families. Recently, I proudly stood with Speaker Pelosi in opposition to the Bush Administration's effort to fast-track consideration of the Colombia Free Trade Agreement. So-called free trade agreements, as currently written, have failed to protect workers' rights worldwide and jeopardized the security of jobs here at home," said Rothman.

Rothman is also working to pass the Healthy Families Act, which would allow employees to take sick days to care for loved ones, and strongly supports Congressional efforts to create American jobs in the alternative and renewable energy sectors.

Earlier this Congress, Rothman voted for the Employee Free Choice Act. This core legislation would establish a simple, fair, and direct way for workers to form unions. While this bill is under constant threat of veto by the anti-labor Bush Administration, Rothman remains steadfast in his commitment to protecting the right of American workers to organize.

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