

National Association of Social Workers
Political Action for Candidate Election

July 25, 2008

Clay Jr. for Congress
P.O. Box 4544
St. Louis, MO 63108

Dear Congressman Clay:

I am pleased to announce that you have received the endorsement of the political action committee of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW-PACE: Political Action for Candidate Election) for your 2008 general election campaign. NASW's membership of nearly 150,000 professional social workers, including our Missouri chapter, join me in extending support for your campaign in light of your commitment to the well-being of individuals, families, and communities.

In order to advance our legislative priorities on behalf of social workers and the communities we serve, we are eager to work with you to address critical issues. These include protection for vulnerable members of society, including many children and senior citizens, an expanded focus on mental health issues, and the recruitment and retention of more social workers to address society's needs.

Our endorsement consists of the following:

- the option of renting mailing lists of NASW members in your district. See <http://www.infocus.netcom/datacards/datacards/dc.aspx?id=107&type=0>.
- our ability to contact members about the endorsement.
- the listing of your name among endorsed candidates on our website.

Please list our organization as the National Association of Social Workers in campaign materials listing endorsements. Additionally, please send us a copy of any press releases you issue regarding our endorsement.

We will encourage NASW members to get involved. We hope that you will count on social workers as volunteers and as experts on a range of social policy issues.

If you have any questions, please contact Brian Dautch, Senior Political Action Associate, at 202-408-8600 x418.

Congratulations and good luck! We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Judy C. Walruff, PhD, ACSW
Chair
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