



# IBEW Local Union Number 11



**INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS, AFL-CIO**

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Rick Caruso's Record on Labor Issues.

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With our candidate dropping out of the race for Mayor of Los Angeles, IBEW LU 11 strongly endorses Rick Caruso to serve as our next Mayor. As President of the Department of Water and Power under Mayor Tom Bradley, and as President of the Police Commission under Mayor Jim Hahn, Rick Caruso has a long and successful record of cooperating with two of the largest employee unions in Los Angeles.

As the sole owner of one of the largest and most successful private development firms in the country, Rick Caruso has regularly used the Building Trades and IBEW, on his largest projects, including the Americana in Glendale and The Grove in Los Angeles. Caruso has been quoted as saying that his project sites that produce the highest quality work and the safest workplaces are sites that are operated by the Building Trades Union labor.

Caruso knows how to build large projects, and Los Angeles needs a mayor who is going to find a way to build more affordable housing - not just for the homeless, but for middle class workers and their families. Our Union families need these new housing units to improve their quality of life, and our Union workers need to be the ones building them. Caruso alone, among all the other mayoral candidates has the experience to get things built while also using Union labor.

Rick Caruso also understands how to create jobs. He has created thousands of them, not only in construction, but also in small businesses that operate on his properties. His relationship with the women and men of IBEW LU 11 and its signatory contractors is long. Beginning with the Grove 20 years ago up to the recently opened Miramar Beach Resort, IBEW electricians have provided an unrivaled level of service, skill reliability and accountability. Caruso promises to make job creation for our members and all workers a top priority.

IBEW creates a competitive advantage for its signatory contractors due to its steadfast commitment to train its membership to the highest professional standards and provide them with the skills to efficiently and safely implement the complicated electrical and communications systems that modern businesses demand. Again, and again the result has been successful projects on time and under budget. IBEW looks forward to continuing this relationship as we look to our next generation of projects.

I strongly encourage you to vote for Rick Caruso our IBEW LU 11 endorsed candidate in this important election. Also, on the flip side, please plan to come to the Annual IBEW Picnic. The flyer is enclosed and always a great event for the IBEW family. It is my pleasure and honor to continue serving as your elected Business Manager/ Financial Secretary and I look forward to a bright future and your continued success.

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joel Barton".

Joël Barton  
Business Manager

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