



### Campaign Endorsement Sign-On Letter

As a community based organization representing working families in New York City, we work every day to strive for economic development opportunities and sustainable communities. We know that good jobs build strong communities.

We stand together with other groups across the City in opposing Walmart and its job-killing policies.

When Walmart enters a community, it kills three retail jobs for every two poverty-wage jobs it “creates.” After a Walmart opened in Chicago, 25% of existing retail businesses surveyed within four miles eventually closed.

We cannot have that happen in our communities, which are devastated by high unemployment.

Our local elected officials need to work to bring good jobs to our communities, not companies that lower the area average retail wage and destroy existing, local jobs!

We are concerned that a serious consequence of Walmart opening in our city will be the downward slide to poverty jobs – jobs that pay below the poverty line and don’t lift up our community. The average Walmart sales associate, according to IBISWorld, working full-time hours, would earn below the federal poverty line for a family of three. Poverty jobs are not an acceptable answer for our communities.

We are committed to working with our elected officials to ensure that the right kind of jobs are created for New York—jobs that pay a living wage and sustain our communities.

By endorsing the campaign I’m committed to the following actions:

*[Mark all that apply]*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Mobilize membership      | <input type="checkbox"/> Forward coalition communications |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Co-host community events | <input type="checkbox"/> Join speakers bureau             |

Signed in solidarity,

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Name of Organization

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Date

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