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## **Workers on Route 495 Expansion Choose LiUNA! in Historic Union Vote**

### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**Reston, VA (January 19, 2010) –**

On the evening of January 14th, workers on Fluor-Lane's expansion of Route 495 Hot Lanes Project voted overwhelmingly to be members of LiUNA Local 11. The election for representation of more than 200 workers was one of the largest union victories on record in the construction industry in the state of Virginia.

"It's clear that construction workers in the D.C. metro area have made the decision to come together to protect their ability to work and provide for their families," said Mid-Atlantic LiUNA! Regional Vice President Dennis Martire. "We're proud to have the workers of Local 11 in the family, and we're ready to continue the momentum of the 495 Hot Lanes Expansion Project. We're all in this together."

Candido Fuentes, a Fluor-Lane worker, said of the vote: "I like working with my union because I finally get the wages and respect I deserve. I voted LiUNA! all the way. It's an exciting time to be at Fluor-Lane, and to be part of the union."

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