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Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust Hosts Surprise 80th Birthday Celebration For Its Founder

Philadelphia, PA - The Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, hosted a surprise 80th Birthday Celebration for its founder, Samuel Staten, Sr. on October 1, 2015 at Laborer's Local 332's union hall.

"It was wonderful to see the surprise on Sam's face when he walked in. It was important to celebrate the man who our charity was founded by and named for," said Perry N. Blackman, C.P.A., member of the Samuel Staten Sr. Charitable Trust's Board of Directors. "He has helped so many by lending his time and name to the cause."

"As evident by the testimonials of family, dignitaries, labor leaders and political leaders, Sam Staten, Sr.'s compassion, intellect and strength brought peace and equilibrium to everyone he touched," said Joel Trigiani, Esq., member of the Samuel Staten Sr. Charitable Trust's Board of Directors.

"It has been an honor to work with Sam over the past 17 years since we all started this charity," said Jodi T. Blackman, member of the Samuel Staten Sr. Charitable Trust's Board of Directors. "Now named for Mr. Staten, the Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust continues to help causes the members of the Laborers' District Council are passionate about in addition to aiding students in their educational endeavors."

Current Philadelphia Mayor Michael Nutter and two former Philadelphia Mayors, John Street and Wilson Goode were in attendance. State and local politicians such as the Honorable Robert Brady, the Honorable Jannie Blackwell, the Honorable Vincent Hughes, Judge James DeLeon, Judge Lori Dumas, Judge Lisette Sirdan Harris, Judge Jackie Frazier Lyde, Sherriff Jewell Williams and the Honorable Cherelle Parker spoke at the event. Labor leaders such as Patrick Gilelspeie, Patrick Eiding, Johnny "Doc" Dougherty, Pete Matthews, Ryan N. Boyer, Daniel Woodall, Jr. and Samuel Staten, Jr. also came out to surprise Mr. Staten, Sr.

To donate, apply for a scholarship or learn more about the Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust visit www.StatenCharitableTrust.org.

*For additional pictures from the event, contact DanaBradyPR@gmail.com.

More Information:

The mission of The Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust is to provide a variety of services to the needy and otherwise underserved community members throughout the five county area of Philadelphia. This mission is achieved through a variety of fundraising events and activities. The Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust illustrates the power of organized labor to make a difference in our community. The Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust was known as The Laborers' District Council Charity Fund until 2011. The name of the charity was changed to honor Samuel Staten, Sr., the man who founded the LDC Charity Fund through a purely unselfish act of charity during his time as Business Manager of Laborers'

Local 332 and Secretary Treasurer of the Laborers' District Council of the Philadelphia Metropolitan Area and Vicinity. Now retired, Mr. Staten, Sr. continues to work with the charity's Board of Directors to raise funds to assist a wide range of charitable organizations.

To find out more about the Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust, visit www.StatenCharitableTrust.org. Qualified students can apply for a scholarship from the Qa'id Staten Memorial Scholarship Fund by filling out the online application.

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