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Statement From Senator Sean Ryan Regarding OTB Offering Byron Brown Role As President

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BUFFALO – Today, Sept. 5, 2024, New York State Senator Sean Ryan released the following statement in response to Western Regional OTB announcing that they have offered Byron Brown a position as their next president and CEO:

“Should he accept the offer, Byron Brown’s departure from the Mayor’s Office will be the beginning of a new era for the City of Buffalo. For the first time in nearly two decades,

Buffalo will have the chance to address our many challenges with a clean slate and fresh eyes.

It is my hope that he will commit to cleaning up the culture of corruption that has defined our local OTB for many years now. He can start by calling for the board to rescind the illegal golden parachutes approved earlier this year.

The City of Buffalo faces many challenges going forward: a fiscal crisis, a housing shortage, neighborhoods in need of investment, and much more. If we focus on addressing these critical issues, I have no doubt we can overcome all of these challenges and create a brighter future for the people of Buffalo.”