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**32BJ and RAB reach wage and benefit agreement**

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The building workers union and the Realty Advisory Board announced today a tentative agreement to give building workers across the city an 11 percent raise over four years while maintaining health care and retirement benefits.

The agreement still needs to be ratified by members of 32BJSEIU. If the union signs off on the deal, the new contract would cover 30,000 doormen, porters, handymen and supers in 3,300 buildings throughout Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens and Staten Island.

The contract will also include health care protection provisions and an increase in wages.