



Maryland League of Conservation Voters

"We keep score for the environment"

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Environmental Endorsements Announced for Maryland Senators and Delegates

Endorsements Include Candidates with Proven Conservation Records

Annapolis, MD. Today the Maryland League of Conservation Voters released its first list of endorsed candidates for Senate and House of Delegates in the 2006 state elections. The 12 Senate and 60 House endorsed candidates are incumbents who have demonstrated pro-conservation records on the Maryland League of Conservation Voters' scorecards.

"These candidates have proven themselves to not only vote for pro-conservation legislation, but they also actively champion our cause in the fight for Maryland's land, air, and water," said Cindy Schwartz, Maryland League of Conservation Voters Executive Director.

"With increasing threats to our natural resources and a polluted Chesapeake Bay, it's more important than ever that we have elected officials who will speak out for the environment. That's why we are proud to release our list of early endorsements today."

Every two years, the Maryland League of Conservation Voters (LCV) produces a *Legislative Scorecard*, based on public information from Maryland General Assembly records, which grades legislators. In election years, the Maryland League of Conservation Voters evaluates questionnaires and conducts interviews with hundreds of candidates for Maryland's House and Senate -- as well as for Comptroller, Attorney General, and Governor -- and then announces its endorsements.

In the 2006 elections, the Maryland LCV will actively work to get selected pro-conservation candidates elected. More endorsements will be released in the coming weeks.

"At the Maryland League of Conservation Voters, we are dedicated to ensuring strong environmental legislation, said Ms. Schwartz. "Who we elect matters -- particularly at the state level, where we are seeing the most environmental progress."

"In this unprecedented election year, with a huge number of open seats, voters have a chance to send leaders to the State House who will protect our air, land, and water -- and the Chesapeake Bay. Our endorsements will let Marylanders know who are our true environmental heroes," said Ms. Schwartz.

(Please see attached list of early endorsements)

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2006 Early Endorsements

Senate District	Name (Party)	2005-2006 Score	2003-2004 Score
10	Delores Kelley (D)	90	94
15	Rob Garagiola (D)	92	92
16	Brian Frosh (D)	100	100
18	Richard Madaleno (D)	88	100
22	Paul Pinsky (D)	95	100
24	Nathaniel Exum (D)	88	80
41	Lisa Gladden (D)	100	100
42	Jim Brochin (D)	79	100
43	Joan Carter Conway (D)	100	94
44	Verna Jones (D)	91	93
45	Nathaniel McFadden (D)	82	87
47	Gwendolyn Britt (D)	95	94

House District	Name (Party)	2005-2006 Score	2003-2004 Score
3A	Galen Clagett (D)	86	100
10	Emmett Burns (D)	88	91
10	Adrienne Jones (D)	88	100
10	Shirley Nathan-Pulliam (D)	88	90
11	Jon Cardin (D)	100	100
11	Dan Morhaim (D)	100	100
12A	Steven DeBoy (D)	75	100
12A	James Malone (D)	90	93
12B	Elizabeth Bobo (D)	100	100
14	Anne Kaiser (D)	100	100
14	Karen Montgomery (D)	100	100
14	Herman Taylor (D)	89	91
15	Kathleen Dumais (D)	86	100
15	Brian Feldman (D)	89	91
16	Susan Lee (D)	80	100
16	William Bronrott (D)	80	100
16	Marilyn Goldwater (D)	80	100
17	Kumar Barve (D)	75	87
17	Luiz Simmons (D)	86	100
18	Ana Sol Gutierrez (D)	100	100
18	Jane Lawton (D)	100	Not a member
19	Henry Heller (D)	100	100
20	Sheila Hixson (D)	86	89
20	Gareth Murray (D)	100	100
21	Barbara Frush (D)	100	100

21	Brian Moe (D)	100	100
22	Tawanna Gaines (D)	88	100
22	Anne Healey (D)	100	100
22	Justin Ross (D)	100	100
23A	Jim Hubbard (D)	100	100
23A	Mary Conroy (D)	100	100
23B	Marvin Holmes (D)	100	100
24	Joanne Benson (D)	100	100
24	Carolyn Howard (D)	88	100
24	Michael Vaughn (D)	88	91
25	Dereck Davis (D)	75	100
25	Melony Griffith (D)	88	100
26	Darryl Kelley (D)	86	100
26	Veronica Turner (D)	100	100
27A	James Proctor (D)	100	100
27A	Joseph Vallario (D)	86	100
27B	Sue Kullen (D)	100	Not a member
30	Mike Busch (D)	86	100
30	Virginia Clagett (D)	89	100
31	Joan Cadden (D)	88	78
34A	Mary-Dulany James (D)	88	100
34B	David Rudolph (D)	86	90
37A	Rudolph Cane (D)	80	80
38B	Norman Conway (D)	88	100
39	Charles Barkley (D)	88	100
39	Nancy King (D)	88	100
43	Curt Anderson (D)	86	100
43	Ann Marie Doory (D)	78	91
43	Maggie McIntosh (D)	86	91
46	Peter Hammen (D)	100	100
46	Carolyn Krysiak (D)	78	91
46	Brian McHale (D)	89	91
47	Doyle Niemann (D)	88	100
47	Rosetta Parker (D)	100	86
47	Victor Ramirez (D)	100	100

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