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2016 Environmental Candidate Questionnaire

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1) ACCOMPLISHMENTS or EXPERIENCES

In my 29-year public career, as a City Councilman, County Legislator, Chair of the Westchester County Board of Legislators, State Assemblyman, and now, as State Senator, I have always been a strong sponsor, co-sponsor and voting supporter of significant environmental initiatives of all types. I have established support and leadership on renewables, wetland protection, climate change, parklands, Brownfields clean-up, air quality, solar energy, and more. I have scored at the top of state environmental ratings in both the Assembly and Senate, and have been endorsed by various environmental groups in past elections, including NYLCV. I am very proud of these endorsements representing an overall assessment of my efforts in each term.

2. ADEQUATE FUNDING for agencies and programs

I have advocated and voted for State and County budgets over the years that reflect strong funding for environmental priorities; most recently, I voted in favor of the NYS 2016-17 Budget that raised EPF funding to \$300 million, and capital funds for water/sewer infrastructure to \$400 million.

3. CLIMATE CHANGE, clean energy and emission controls

I am a current co-sponsor and supporter of S.205 (climate protection), S.3034 (energy STAR grants). Prime sponsor of S.569 (The NY Sun Act). In past years, I have supported RGGI legislation for both standards and dedicated funding.

4. HEALTH issues, toxics, air quality, food quality and security

I am a current co-sponsor and supporter of S.485 (GMO food labeling), S.5995 (child safe products), S.3261 (mercury in light bulbs), S.7035 (engine idling restrictions), S.854 (food waste), S.890 (toxic lights), and S.1420 (pesticide-free camps).

5. NATURAL RESOURCES, water, open spaces, recycling

I am a current co-sponsor and supporter of S.4926 (paint recycling), S.884 (hazardous waste loophole), S.4522 (battery takeback), S.7297 (private well testing) and two important wetlands bills which do not yet have Senate same-as bills, A.9764 and A.9765. I have long been a supporter of L.I. Sound clean-up, with a County record of sewer upgrades, and non-point source pollution strategies.

6. SMARTER INFRASTRUCTURE

I am a current co-sponsor and supporter of S.5751 (crude oil), A.7986 (crude by rail disclosure), S.2193 Cool Roofs, S.5663 (Green residential buildings). I am the prime sponsor of both S.2603 (Green Schools Act) and S.565 (Brownfields clean-up).

I seek the endorsement of NYLCV and intend, if re-elected to continue to work in a bi-partisan fashion to pass this necessary legislation and funding to improve our environment, and thereby, secure our future for generations to come.

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