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2019 Environmental Candidate Questionnaire for Long Island Candidates

Thank you for taking the time to fill out the New York League of Conservation Voters Questionnaire.

The New York League of Conservation Voters is the only non-partisan statewide environmental organization in New York that fights for clean water, clean air, renewable energy and open space through political action. This questionnaire is designed to elicit your views regarding what environmental, public health, clean energy and transit and environmental justice groups consider to be the most important issues of the day. Responses may inform NYLCV's educational and legislative programs and actions NYLCV takes in the election cycle.

Responses should be considered public. Although NYLCV may choose not to publicize responses to every question, verbatim responses may be reproduced and distributed publicly. If so, your responses may be shortened, if necessary, but will not be edited in substantive ways. If you choose to refer us to a position paper or website, please indicate exactly what text you would like us to cite. For candidates choosing not to respond to the questionnaire, NYLCV will note as much in its public materials.

NYLCV and its partners in the environmental policy arena believe that New York's voters are determined to make the environment a voting issue this year. Candidate positions on issues such as protecting public health, building a clean energy future, and mitigating climate change will help voters decide how to cast their ballots this election cycle. This questionnaire is one of the primary ways the public will get this information.

Here are a few guidelines:

- ☒ Questionnaires are due **Friday, May 3, 2019**
 - County Executive/Legislature, Supervisor and Mayor candidates only
 - The completed questionnaire is mandatory for endorsement consideration and must be submitted via e-mail as a Microsoft Word file to: politics@nylcv.org
 - Extension requests may be directed to Joshua Klainberg (jklainberg@nylcv.org)
- ☒ To ensure your responses address the issues NYLCV and its partners are most concerned about, please review [NYLCV's 2018-19 Long Island Policy Agenda](#)
- ☒ After receipt of the completed questionnaire, candidates may be invited to participate in a formal interview with our Chapter Board
- ☒ All candidate endorsements will be made by the state board by July 24, 2019.

CAMPAIGN CONTACT INFORMATION

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PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. Please share your accomplishments or experiences that indicate your commitment to advancing a pro-environment agenda. These experiences may be professional or personal.

In the past year we have been able to raise the age for smoking in Nassau County to 21. Also we have submitting legislation to ban plastic bags in the County as well. Finally I am still committed via our capital plan to ensure our bays and waterways are protected.

ISSUES

Please indicate your level of commitment to, and if applicable your recent personal and professional activity with respect to, the following issues:

(To ensure your responses address the issues NYLCV and its partners are most concerned about, please review [NYLCV's 2018-19 Long Island Policy Agenda](#) when formulating your responses.)

2. Sustainable & Transit-Oriented Development

I support workforce housing and the effort to redevelop brownfields and underutilized sites throughout Long Island. The Nassau Hub development will encompass both of these aspects which I supported late last year.

3. Public Health

I support all of the positions of the NYLCV in regards to public health. Creating more park space and community gardens ties in with my agenda for Legislative District 1.

4. Open Space Preservation

I continue to support open space preservation in Nassau County.

5. Energy

Adopting green building standards for new construction is essential. Earlier this year I supported the PACE legislation in the Nassau County Legislature.

6. Sustainable Public Asset Management

We have to continue to lead the charge if we expect the private sector to follow. That is why any development on County parcels I support the effort to ensure it has green decision making process and energy uses.

7. Waste

I will work with local authorities to ensure they boost recycling rates.

8. Water Quality and Aquifer Protection

I support the efforts of the NYCLV and look forward to working with you over the next year to continue and implement new changes that protect our water quality.

9. Natural Resource Protection

I mentioned this earlier in my questionnaire but I support the efforts of reducing single bag use and have encouraged businesses to use reusable bags. Also I have work with County officials on our stormwater management practices.

10. Farms and Local Food

I will work with NYCLV on these efforts in the coming year.