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IL LEAGUE OF CONSERVATION VOTERS ENDORSES ABBY SCHULER AND JIM NESBITT FOR AURORA

AURORA, IL - The Illinois League of Conservation Voters (ILCV) has announced its endorsement of Abby Schuler and Jim Nesbitt, candidates for Aurora alderpersons in ward 1 and 3, respectively. They are the latest in a long line of environmentally responsible candidates endorsed by the ILCV, a bipartisan organization devoted full-time to its mission of electing a pro-environment political majority in Illinois.

“Environmental stewardship is the responsibility of all citizens, and must be addressed at every level of government,” Alderperson Schuler says. “At the municipal level, I have worked to conserve our natural land and water resources, and to encourage development that does not sacrifice our environment.”

As Alderperson, Schuler has organized clean-up events to encourage community participation in conservation activities. She has also advocated for development projects that take a smart, sustainable approach to growth. By supporting green building practices and encouraging the use of naturally planted retention and detention ponds, Schuler has hoped to set an example of the feasibility and fruitfulness of sustainable growth plans. Her past work and future concerns highlight the importance of municipal action to protect valuable resources shared by the citizens of Aurora, such as the Fox River and Indian Creek water ways and shore line, undeveloped open spaces, and developed land in danger of contamination from industrial practices.

A concern for smart growth is also a part of Jim Nesbitt’s platform in his candidacy for ward 3 alderman. “Smart growth, development that protects our environmental resources and community health, is essential for making Aurora a better place to live and work, he says. “If we want to attract people to our community and improve the quality of life for those of us already living here, we must make environmental responsibility a priority.”

“Abby Schuler and Jim Nesbitt understand the crucial role environmental sustainability plays in making a community a better place to live,” Amanda Espitia, Executive Director of the ILCV, says. “We are proud to support candidates who demonstrate this kind of real leadership.”

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