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NEWS from Georgia Conservation Voters

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Atlanta, Georgia. Georgia Conservation Voters (GCV), the nonpartisan political arm of Georgia's environmental community, claimed victory on election night. In primary contests across the state, twelve of fourteen races targeted by GCV boasted a win. One additional race, House District 58 will see a runoff.

GCV had endorsed 10 candidates in the House, three candidates in the Senate, and one in the PSC race. In all, five were Republicans and nine were Democrats. These endorsements mean GCV provided significant field, media, and/or financial support.

This announcement follows as a result of tireless campaigning on the part of the GCV Action Fund, a political action committee dedicated to election conservation-minded officials to lead Georgia. According to Executive Director Jason Rooks, these victories indicate that conservation is on the minds of voters, even in Republican primaries. "Georgia Conservation Voters is proud of the unique role we are able play in elections," says Executive Director Jason Rooks, "and we are proud to help our Republican and Democrat environmental champions to re-election and support candidates who will make conservation a primary issue during their service to the citizens of Georgia."

Of the twelve victors endorsed by GCV, eight have no opposition in the General elections and have therefore been elected to the General Assembly; including Republican Bobby Reese who defeated tough opponent and former Gwinnett County Commissioner for 12 years, Wayne Hill in the race for House District 98.

GCVAF welcomes the following endorsed candidates to the State Legislature...

Representative Kathy Ashe, Representative Karla Drenner, Stacey Abrams, Senator Gloria Butler, Representative Sheila Jones, Senator Emanuel Jones, Representative Michele Henson, and Representative Bobby Reese. GCV will lend its support to Allen Thornell as he faces a runoff against Robbin Shipp in House District 58. The four candidates who were victorious in the primary and face opposition in the General are Representatives Matt Dollar, Robert Mumford, Mark Hatfield, and Representative Nan Orrock running for Senator of District 36.

GCV evaluates candidates based on questionnaires, interviews, voting records and experience. It makes campaign contributions and works to help elect endorsed candidates who are committed to the protection of Georgia's natural heritage. The bipartisan, non-profit is governed by a statewide volunteer board. GCV will announce additional endorsements,

including statewide races later this summer. Further information may be found at www.gavoters.com.

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