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## CLEAN WATER, AIR, & LAND GROUPS ENDORSE DAN BESSE FOR NC HOUSE 75

**JULY 12, 2018**—Both major citizen conservation groups which make candidate endorsements in North Carolina have announced their support for Dan Besse for NC House in District 75 (Forsyth County). The North Carolina Chapter of the Sierra Club and the North Carolina League of Conservation Voters' Conservation PAC announced their endorsements of Besse this week.

"NCLCV is working to elect new environmental champions who will promote clean water, clean air, and clean energy for all North Carolinians," said Dan Crawford, NCLCV director of intergovernmental relations. "With his unique combination of extensive local and state service experience, and decades of work on these very issues, Dan Besse will be an immediate leader in that team."

"As a citizen advocate, and later as a leader of state environmental boards appointed by governors of both parties, Dan Besse personally helped write some of the most important state laws protecting clean water and air, and requiring smart energy planning," said Kathy Noble, Chair of the Foothills Group of the Sierra Club. "He understands the damage done by current wrongheaded legislative leaders to the laws intended to protect public health in our state—and knows how to fix it."

"I am honored to earn the support of the Sierra Club and the League of Conservation Voters," said Besse. "I look forward to taking my experience in working across party lines to our legislature, and getting to work on addressing the building threats to clean water, air, and public health in our state."

Dan Besse has served as a city council member in Winston-Salem since 2001. He served on the NC Coastal Resources Commission 1985-93 by appointment of Republican Gov. Jim Martin, and on the NC Environmental Management Commission 1993-2005 by appointment of Democratic Gov. Jim Hunt.