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### **NH SIERRA CLUB ENDORSES REBECCA MCWILLIAMS**

*Nation's Largest Grassroots Environmental Group Praises Work to Protect  
The Beauty of the Granite State Environment*

**CONCORD, NH:** Today, the New Hampshire Chapter of Sierra Club announced its endorsement of Rebecca McWilliams of Concord in the State Senate District 15 primary election. State Senate District 15 includes the towns of Bow, Concord, and Hopkinton.

“We are pleased to announce today that the Sierra Club officially endorses Rebecca McWilliams for election to New Hampshire’s State Senate District 15,” said Laura Magzis, NH Sierra Club Political Team Member. “We are confident that she will continue work to protect New Hampshire families’ health, air and water, and build a clean energy economy that will lower energy bills, create new jobs, improve public health, and expand clean energy options for all Granite Staters.”

#### **Quotes from NH Chapter Voices**

Honorable Representative Lee Oxenham, Plainfield, Sullivan County District 1 and NHSC Chapter Executive Committee Member

As a former colleague on the House Science, Technology, and Energy Committee, I witnessed firsthand Rebecca’s keen intellect at redesigning building codes, supporting access to clean energy for all Granite Staters, and protecting our state’s natural resources. Her passion, empathy, and legal dexterity have won her the admiration of legislators on both sides of the aisle and outstanding record of success in the State House. As a NH Sierra Club Executive Committee Member and a

former legislator, I am excited to support her as the next NH State Senator for Concord, Bow, and Hopkinton.

Arthur B. Cunningham, Attorney in Hopkinton, NHSC Executive and Political Committee Member

While the Chapter endorses Rebecca McWilliams for many reasons, I personally witnessed her strong support for New Hampshire electric ratepayers as it relates to energy costs. After the skyrocketing electric rates of 2022, she listened to her constituents suffering from the unprecedented energy bills. She was unafraid to pursue the root cause of high energy bills by holding utilities and the state accountable for lack of oversight and ignoring their own process. Future Senator McWilliams will demand that utilities, with their privileged economic power over ratepayers and state agencies with the authority to curb utility abuse, act lawfully ultimately protecting New Hampshire's clean air, clean water, and natural treasures.

Jerry Curran, NH Chapter Chair

Rebecca McWilliams is a strong advocate for shifting away from polluting coal to more efficient and cost effective energy that will not only lower carbon and mercury emissions but continue to champion lower energy bills and local job creation. After the hottest July in a generation, New Hampshire has some serious work to do and Rebecca McWilliams understands the assignment. She will not disappoint as the District 15 State Senator.

Along with the endorsement, the NH Sierra Club will lend its volunteer strength to McWilliams' campaign.

"We pledge to do all we can to help ensure Rebecca McWilliams is elected," said Catherine Corkery, NH Chapter Director. "Scores of Chapter volunteers will contact district voters on her behalf and we will speak as often as possible about her exemplary environmental record. We look forward to a victory for McWilliams on September 10th and to McWilliams fighting for the environment as the next N.H. State Senator for District 15."

Rebecca McWilliams Background

As a working architect and attorney, Rebecca is an expert advocate with over 20 years experience managing construction projects, addressing risk, and negotiating contracts. As owner of the Lewis

Farm with her husband James, she understands the needs of the NH business community. Rebecca and James are the parents of two children who attend public schools, and a child in childcare. Rebecca was elected for three terms as the House representative variously wards in Concord with redistricting.

Statement from Candidate Rebecca McWilliams, D-Concord

Now is the time to act on climate. Don't sit this one out. Over the past six years, I've worked with the NH Sierra Club on net metering, vehicle air emissions, funding weatherization projects, streamlining renewable interconnection schedules, our state energy code, stabilizing electricity rates, and shutting down the Merrimack Station coal plant. We are building on that success together to fight to hold PFAS polluters accountable and end PFAS pollution in the NH environment. We can win this together.

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**About the Sierra Club:**

*The Sierra Club is America's largest and most influential grassroots environmental organization, with more than 3.8 million members and supporters. In addition to helping people from all backgrounds explore nature and our outdoor heritage, the Sierra Club works to promote clean energy, safeguard the health of our communities, protect wildlife, and preserve our remaining wild places through grassroots activism, public education, lobbying, and legal action. For more information, visit [www.sierraclub.org](http://www.sierraclub.org).*