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Chandra Dillard is Endorsed by Conservation Voters of South Carolina
One of four primary challengers over incumbents endorsed statewide

Greenville, SC – Chandra Dillard is one of the 30 State House and State Senate candidates endorsed by Conservation Voters of South Carolina (CVSC) in the June 10th Primary Election. Of the 30 candidates, CVSC only endorsed four challengers over incumbents, including House District 23.

“We believe elections are an opportunity for voters to hold elected leaders accountable for their record protecting our most fundamental rights as South Carolinians. First and foremost this includes the right to clean, abundant water, which demands the urgent attention of lawmakers,” said CVSC Executive Director, Ann Timberlake. “In the House District 23 race, the choice was clear given Chandra Dillard’s commitment to our natural resources while serving on Greenville City Council and Fletcher Smith’s consistent non-voting record which has earned him a zero on our annual environmental scorecards.”

According to CVSC, Rep. Fletcher Smith has a zero record on conservation. Smith did not vote on any of the 10 votes published on the CVSC 2003-04 Scorecard – including important issues such as protective factory hog farm ordinances, land conservation funding, wetlands protection and expanding the Barnwell nuclear waste dump. Of the 14 zeros, Smith is the only representative who earned his score by NOT VOTING. In 2005-06, Smith was one of only 3 zeros and of 7 votes published on the CVSC scorecard, Smith voted twice: to favor billboard owners and to attempt to expand regulatory takings and undermine the ability of communities to plan for growth. Of the 6 votes listed on CVSC’s website for 2007 (scorecard not yet published for 2007-08), Smith did not vote one single time.

“District 23 voters deserve a representative who actually shows up and votes for important legislation that ensures that we have clean, safe drinking water and protects our natural resources for our children,” stated Chandra Dillard. “I am proud to have the Conservation Voters endorsement and will continue to work with them on issues that affect our families, our neighborhoods and our environment.”

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