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National Caucus of Environmental Legislators Names Rep. Karin Power State Lead

Rep. Power is a leading proponent for strong environmental policy

SALEM, Ore. – Rep. Karin Power (D-Milwaukie) has been selected as the Oregon State Lead for the National Caucus of Environment Legislators (NCEL). This distinction recognizes Rep. Power's leadership in the Oregon House of Representatives for promoting innovative and effective environmental policy.

"It is an honor to be recognized as a champion for environmental policy in the Oregon Legislature," Rep. Power said. "This upcoming session is critical to ensuring our state continues to protect our land, air and water for future generations. In particular, we must take immediate action to ensure Oregon is meeting its carbon reduction goals and preparing communities for the increasing impacts of climate change."

Rep. Power, elected to the Legislature in 2016, is the chair of the House Committee on Energy and Environment. She served as co-chair of the Joint Committee on Carbon Reduction in 2018 and 2019, and she led the creation of legislation that would have established the Oregon Climate Action Program.

"State leads are a crucial element of a thriving network like NCEL," said Jeff Mauk, Executive Director of NCEL. "The Caucus is led by legislators, so the State Leads provide an active conduit of engagement and information sharing with environmental state legislators across the country."

Created by and for state legislators, the National Caucus of Environmental Legislators is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that organizes over 1,000 environmentally-committed state legislators from all 50 states and both parties. NCEL provides venues and opportunities for lawmakers to share ideas and collaborate on environmental issues.