

Bryce campaign: LCV Action Fund endorses Bryce for Congress

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Washington, D.C. – The League of Conservation Voters (LCV) Action Fund, which works to elect candidates who will support sound environmental policies, announced today its endorsement of Randy Bryce for Congress (WI-1).

“Randy Bryce is the real deal – he understands we need to transition to a clean energy economy to get people working in southeast Wisconsin and across America again,” said LCV Action Fund Senior Vice President of Government Affairs Tiernan Sittenfeld. “As a veteran, cancer survivor and union leader, he understands the national security, public health and economic importance of fighting climate change and investing in clean energy. Unlike his opponent, Speaker Paul Ryan, we know we can always count on Randy Bryce to protect our air, water and public lands, and we’re thrilled to endorse his campaign for Congress.”

“Families in Wisconsin’s 1st Congressional District have lived too long with silence from their member of Congress while their health and quality of life are compromised. We’re excited to see Randy Bryce standing up for working people and making sure their air is safe to breathe, their water safe to drink, and their children have outdoor places to play,” said Kerry Schumann, Executive Director of Wisconsin League of Conservation Voters.

“Corporate special interests have sent a message for years to working people that they have to choose between good jobs and clean air and water for their family. That’s a false choice. A Green New Deal would create thousands of family-sustaining jobs on infrastructure projects, and it would turn communities that have

seen a decline in manufacturing into energy manufacturing hubs,” said Randy Bryce.

Bryce continued, “The environment is an issue for working people. Too many of us have faced environmental dangers on the job site that led to cancer or chronic diseases down the road. Too many of us have been cheated from good paying jobs because our federal government refuses to invest in infrastructure, a Green New Deal that will strengthen the middle class and our communities like never before. As an ironworker who helped build Wisconsin’s first wind turbines and as a cancer survivor who got sick from a toxic plant near my Army base, I know that bad environmental policy hits people scraping by the hardest, and, as a Congressman, I’ll make sure our country puts people before corporations again.”

Bryce is a strong advocate for climate action, clean energy and protecting clean air, water and public lands. Among his environmental priorities are: passing a “Green New Deal” that invests in green infrastructure and good-paying clean energy jobs; ending subsidies to fossil fuel companies; rejoining the Paris climate agreement; protecting the Land and Water Conservation Fund and our wetlands; and defending funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. Bryce will also fight for stronger air quality testing at the Oak Creek coal facility and will hold Greif/Mid-America accountable for their alleged environmental and safety violations.

In contrast, his opponent Speaker Paul Ryan has led the most anti-environmental Congress in history and has rubberstamped President Trump’s pro-polluter agenda. Under Speaker Ryan’s leadership, the U.S. House has routinely voted to gut our most basic environmental and public health protections and undo the historic climate progress made under President Obama. Specifically, Speaker Ryan led the House in passing extreme Congressional Review Act measures to permanently undo President Obama’s Clean Power Plan, Clean Water Rule, Stream Protection Rule, and the Methane and Waste Prevention Rule, among others. They have also voted on numerous assaults on clean air, clean water, public lands, wildlife and science, all under Speaker Ryan’s leadership. Closer to home, Speaker Ryan has been silent on important issues impacting his district, including Greif/Mid-America’s alleged numerous environmental and safety violations.