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EL-BEHAIRY ENDORSED BY SIERRA CLUB

Buffalo, NY-(October 2, 2018)-State Senate Candidate Carima El-Behairy has been endorsed by environmental advocacy group the Sierra Club

As one of the most prestigious networks of environmental activists in the country and the world, the Sierra Club's endorsement is a reminder of how committed the **El-Behairy** campaign is to responsible stewardship of the environment and to public health.

It's also a reminder of how dire environmental concerns are in Western New York and the rest of the state, with aging companies like Tonawanda Coke significantly adding to the region's air pollution. The Republican majority currently in control of the New York State Senate has been hostile toward legislation that addresses such environment concerns, blocking passage of both the **New York State Climate and Community Protection Act** and the **Constitutional Right to Clear Air, Water, and a Healthful Environment**. When elected, **El-Behairy** will push the Senate to make environmental protection a priority. **El-Behairy** is a candidate who understands the centrality of threats to the environment, and the increasing urgency to address them as soon as possible.

"What it's really about is putting people over profit," **El-Behairy** said. "These things are so fundamental to our lives--the air we breathe, the water we drink. The job of leaders is to be able to make the decisions that put long-term, sustainable growth and public health over short-term financial or political concerns."

El-Behairy will also be attending the Sierra Club's Meet the Candidates event on October 12th. The event will be held at the United Auto Workers hall at 35 George Karl Boulevard #100, Buffalo, NY.

Carima El-Behairy grew up in Grand Island, NY and later raised her family in the City of Buffalo. She has found success building innovative companies like the P22 type foundry and serving on the boards of numerous non-profit organizations. She has also been involved with Planned Parenthood for nearly two decades, most recently serving as treasurer for the WNY/CNY regions.

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