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## **Robyn Skuya-Boss named Sierra Club Hoosier Chapter Director**

**INDIANAPOLIS** – The Hoosier Chapter of the Sierra Club is delighted to announce Robyn Skuya-Boss has been named their next Chapter Director. Skuya-Boss (he/they) has been a longtime advocate for the role of nonprofit and issue-based organizations in civic life.

“The Sierra Club community in Indiana has been close to my heart since I arrived a decade ago,” Skuya-Boss said. “Together we have made measurable progress in confronting our climate crisis as our energy generation moves from super polluter power plants toward clean energy.”

Robyn Skuya-Boss currently serves as a Field Organizing Strategist for Sierra Club and will be assuming the Hoosier Chapter Director role on February 16th, 2024. After earning two degrees at Iowa State University in Political Science and International Studies, Robyn began building their professional career as an advocate for the LGBTQIA+ community, starting in Washington DC as a Federal Legislative Intern with the Human Rights Campaign. They then continued at One Iowa, a nonprofit where they campaigned for marriage equality in their home state of Iowa.

“As we look ahead there is much work to be done to ensure that Indiana's beautiful wild areas are protected for all Hoosiers,” Skuya-Boss said. “That’s why I’m honored to accept the role as Hoosier Chapter Director.”

Robyn relocated to Indiana in 2013 when their husband was accepted into Indiana University, where they quickly fell in love with Brown County. Shortly after moving to Indiana, Robyn joined Sierra Club’s Beyond Coal Campaign. In the decade since, they’ve led and supported campaigns that successfully called on Indiana’s investor-owned utilities to retire aging fossil fuel power plants and to invest in renewable energy resources.

Through this time, they have been steadfast in a commitment to building collaborative communities. “We’re all in this together,” Skuya-Boss said. “It takes a strong connected community to be good stewards of our human-built and natural worlds.”

Skuya-Boss fills the position vacated by outgoing Director Amanda Shepherd, who took another role with Sierra Club.

“Throughout their tenure with Sierra Club, Robyn has made significant contributions to moving Indiana’s energy sector away from fossil fuels, creating a path for a cleaner, healthier, and more sustainable future for all Hoosiers,” Shepherd said about Skuya-Boss’s appointment. “I am absolutely thrilled to see Robyn stepping into this role. Being Chapter Director will allow them to continue that great work in even more areas of our mission to explore, enjoy, and protect the planet, while working alongside our incredible team of staff and volunteers.”

Amanda Shepherd was promoted to the role of Deputy Regional Field Director for the Sierra Club’s Central Region, covering the states of Indiana, Illinois, Ohio and Wisconsin. “Amanda did a fantastic job leading the Hoosier Chapter,” Joab Schultheis, Hoosier Chapter Chair, said. “We’re thrilled that in her new role as Deputy Regional Field Director she’ll continue to be engaged with Indiana and the Hoosier Chapter.”

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About Sierra Club Hoosier Chapter: The Sierra Club is the oldest, largest, and most influential grassroots environmental organizations in the United States with more than three million members and supporters. The Hoosier Chapter represents Sierra Club in Indiana and was formed in 1975 and has more than 8,000 members. Our mission is to explore, enjoy & protect wild places.