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Assemblymember Richard Pan's Campaign Mailer Misleads Public

Sierra Club California Endorses Assemblymember Roger Dickinson for Senate

SACRAMENTO—This week, Assemblymember Richard Pan's campaign distributed a mailer implying Sierra Club support for his race for senate in Sacramento's Senate District 6. The mailer says that Pan received an "A" on Sierra Club California's legislative scorecard.

Statement by Kathryn Phillips, Director of Sierra Club California, in response to the mailer:

"Sierra Club endorses Assemblymember Roger Dickinson for the open senate seat in Sacramento. He has consistently scored higher than Pan on our legislative scorecard since both entered the Assembly in 2010.

"For instance, in 2012, Assemblymember Pan scored 54% while Assemblymember Dickinson scored 85%; in 2013, Assemblymember Pan scored 56%, while Assemblymember Dickinson scored 78%; in 2014, an election year during which there were not a lot of controversial environmental measures before the legislature, Pan scored 91 %, but Dicksinson scored a solid 100%. This year, Pan helped the cosmetic industry continue polluting waters with plastic microbeads by ducking an important vote on the issue.

"You don't need to be a math teacher to understand that on average, Assemblymember Pan's score is quite low—sliding into the land of "F" grades in two out of the last three years—while Dickinson maintains a respectable average.

"There is only one candidate in the District 6 senate race who earned and deserves Sierra Club's endorsement, and whose record promises that he will work to make sure Californian's get clean air, clean water, and clean, renewable energy. That candidate is Assemblymember Roger Dickinson."

Current and previous legislative scorecards are available at Sierra Club California's website: http://www.sierraclubcalifornia.org, under the publications tab.

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