

March 3, 2021

United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: Support Deb Haaland for U.S. Secretary of the Interior

Dear Senator,

The League of Conservation Voters (LCV) works to turn environmental values into national priorities. Each year, LCV publishes the *National Environmental Scorecard*, which details the voting records of members of Congress on environmental legislation. The *Scorecard* is the nationally accepted yardstick used to rate members of Congress on environmental, public health, and energy issues and is distributed to LCV members, concerned voters, and the media.

<u>LCV urges you to support the historic nomination of Deb Haaland for U.S. Secretary of the Interior</u>. Haaland is an inspired choice to implement the Biden-Harris administration's bold nature conservation agenda, ensuring we use all of our tools to fight climate change and share nature's benefits equitably with all communities.

Haaland has been a vocal advocate for fighting climate change, protecting our public lands, and on behalf of Tribal Nations. Haaland demonstrated incredible leadership, including as the chair of the House Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands and as the sponsor of the 30 by 30 Resolution to Save Nature. Additionally, Haaland's reputation for working with communities most affected by decisions and across party lines will be essential for Interior's success.

LCV also appreciates and supports the historic nature of Haaland's nomination to serve as the first Indigenous Cabinet Secretary.

Haaland's experience and stellar record, including her 98% lifetime score on the *National Environmental Scorecard*, are indisputable. Again, LCV urges you to support the nomination of Deb Haaland for U.S. Secretary of the Interior. We will strongly consider including votes on this nomination in the 2021 *Scorecard*. If you need more information, please contact a member of our government relations team.

Sincerely,

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