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The Delaware Riverkeeper to Present about Environmental Rights in Lowell

Lowell, MA – Maya van Rossum, the Delaware Riverkeeper and leader of the Delaware Riverkeeper Network, will hold a talk and signing about her book *The Green Amendment: Securing Our Right to a Healthy Environment* on June 19 at 6:30 pm at Lowell Telecommunications Corp.

The Green Amendment outlines the need for constitutional protection of our environmental rights. In 2013, van Rossum and her team won a watershed legal victory that not only protected Pennsylvania communities from ruthless frackers, but breathed legal life into the constitutional right of people in the state to a clean and healthy environment.

“The people of Massachusetts deserve to have their right to a healthy environment protected at the highest level,” said van Rossum. “I hope to inspire attendees to embrace their environmental rights and demand constitutional protection of those rights.”

Following this victory, van Rossum inaugurated the Green Amendment movement, dedicated to empowering every American community to mobilize for constitutional change. In *The Green Amendment*, van Rossum lays out an inspiring new agenda for environmental advocacy, one that will empower people.

This strategy allows people to recognize that they have a right to pure water, clean air, and a healthy environment, and one that allows people to claim and defend that right in the courts if necessary.

The Green Amendment includes a powerful foreword authored by Mark Ruffalo, which supports the visionary constitutional path advocated for in the book.

While Massachusetts has language in its constitution about the environment, it does not enshrine environmental rights in the Bill of Rights section.

Lowell Telecommunications Corp. is located at 246 Market Street, Lowell, MA 01852.

To learn more about the book, and Maya van Rossum, visit mayavanrossum.green.

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