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North Carolina Climate Advocates Gather in Charlotte for State of the Climate 2019

Charlotte, North Carolina — Policymakers, business leaders, and climate advocates from across North Carolina will gather in Charlotte next week for State of the Climate, an annual celebration of progress and champions in the struggle against climate change. Organized by Clean Air Carolina, the ceremony will take place at the Barrel Room at Catawba Brewing Co. on the evening of Thursday, November 7, from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

State of the Climate's program will review Clean Air Carolina's climate work in 2019, honor North Carolinians for their dedication to tackling the climate crisis, and highlight strategies for advancing local, state, and federal climate goals.

"The urgency of the climate crisis requires coordinated, transformative action from all North Carolinians to reduce our greenhouse gas emissions. State of the Climate provides an opportunity for people to learn how they can get involved in climate actions throughout the state," says June Blotnick, Executive Director of Clean Air Carolina.

The ceremony will culminate with the presentation of the 2019 Blue Sky Awards, recognizing individuals and organizations who have shown extraordinary commitment to improving North Carolina's climate health and air quality. This year's Blue Sky Award recipients include student climate activist Mary Ellis Stevens and Charlotte Councilwoman Dimple Ajmera, among other notable honorees.

State of the Climate is free to attend, though registration for the event is now closed. Food and drinks will be provided for all attendees. Those interested in learning more about State of the Climate should go to www.cleanaircarolina.org/sotc19/.

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Clean Air Carolina is a statewide nonprofit organization whose mission is to promote climate change solutions and ensure cleaner air quality for all North Carolinians through education and advocacy and by working with partners to reduce sources of pollution. www.cleanaircarolina.org

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