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**Delaware Riverkeeper Maya van Rossum to be Featured Speaker at
Chester County March for Climate Justice and Environment**

West Chester, PA – Maya van Rossum, the Delaware Riverkeeper and leader of the Delaware Riverkeeper Network, will be the featured speaker at the Chester County March for Climate Justice and Environment on Saturday, September 8.

A veteran environmental activist, attorney, and author, van Rossum will address the unjust environmental degradation inflicted on the community and environment by industries, legislators, and regulators, through projects like the Mariner 2 East pipeline, and the importance of constitutional environmental rights for all.

“This Saturday, we will gather together and rise up in the face of climate and environmental injustice here and everywhere,” **said Maya van Rossum, the Delaware Riverkeeper and leader of the Delaware Riverkeeper Network.** “I will talk about our unique and vital constitutional provision protecting our right to clean air, pure water, and a healthy environment, and how Pennsylvania should serve as an inspiration to people across the nation and the world to fight for their environmental rights. The time has come to embrace our constitutional right to a healthy environment and demand a just future for all, and I hope to inspire our partners and allies in this grassroots movement to do just that on Saturday.”

van Rossum is a champion of environmental constitutional amendments and was an original petitioner in the landmark Robinson Township, Delaware Riverkeeper Network, et al v. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania case, which breathed new legal life into Pennsylvania’s environmental rights amendment. Following this victory, she wrote, The Green Amendment, Securing Our Right to a Healthy Environment.

Organized by member groups of the Chester County Environment Alliance, the event will begin with a rally at the Historic Chester County Courthouse at 2pm, with van Rossum speaking at 2:30pm. Following the rally, attendees will march in solidarity for climate justice for all to Everhart Park.

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Delaware Riverkeeper Network (DRN) is a nonprofit membership organization working throughout the four states of the Delaware River Watershed including Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and New York. DRN provides effective environmental advocacy, volunteer monitoring programs, stream restoration projects, public education, and legal enforcement of environmental protection laws.

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