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Washington Green Amendment Gets Backed By Local Seattle Band

Seattle, WA - On Thursday, November 13, the Washington Green Amendment Movement is getting backed – figuratively and musically – by local band Last Minute Maybes in their latest benefit concert at The Royal Room. The benefit is part of an ongoing series presented by k-kollective, a community project founded by band member Karin Kallander, that seeks to collaborate with local artists to raise awareness and funding for just causes, ranging from immigration & asylum support, reproductive rights, and now the Washington Green Amendment effort.

A Green Amendment in the state of Washington would add enforceable environmental rights to the state constitution—making it clear that every Washingtonian has the inalienable right to clean air, clean water, a stable climate, and a healthy environment. These rights would be legally protected on par with free speech, due process, and other civil liberties. The Washington Green Amendment Coalition, a grassroots collaboration of Washington residents, community groups, environmental organizations, and the Green Amendments For The Generations organization, has been working to spread education and awareness about the Amendment, including engaging communities on its values for environmental justice, quality clean energy, and generational protections.

Most recently, the Coalition hosted a six-city tour across Washington State where Coalition leaders, local government officials, and national expert and Green Amendments For The Generations Founder Maya K. van Rossum talked about the power of constitutional protection for environmental rights and the leadership role Washington plays in the national movement for constitutional Green Amendments.

"We are facing record-breaking wildfires, water shortages, and pollution that disproportionately impacts low-income communities, we don't just need better laws. We need constitutional power to protect our

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gaftg@ForTheGenerations.org www.GreenAmendment.org environment from the ground up," said David Kipnis, a leader in the Washington Green Amendment Coalition. "Right now, polluters have more power than people. This amendment changes that."

"While many states already include environmental language in their state constitutions, for the most part they have proved ineffectual. Constitutional provisions that meet the definition of a Green Amendment are different. These are carefully crafted provisions added to the bill of rights section of a constitution that make environmental rights and government environmental protection obligations enforceable. Green Amendments have already been secured in 3 states - Pennsylvania, Montana and New York - Washington has the potential to make history by being number four," **said Maya K. van Rossum, national expert and Green Amendments For The Generations Founder.** "We are honored to be chosen for k-kollective's latest benefit concert and to continue growing the strong grassroots connections that are the foundation of our statewide and national movements." van Rossum is also the author of an award winning book, now in its second edition, titled *Green Amendments, The People's Fight for A Clean, Safe & Healthy Environment.*

"k-kollective brings people together through music for connection and community in order to raise awareness and funds for Just Causes. The Last Minute Maybes are a joy-driven band who often put on shows for local benefit causes. We believe music and dancing are important aspects of all progressive movements! We're also super excited to partner with WA Green Amendment and help move this mission forward!" said Karin Kallander, vocalist, accordionist, and keyboard player for Last Minute Maybes and Founder of k-kollective.

For this upcoming benefit, Last Minute Maybes will be performing alongside Func Pro Tunc at the Royal Room in Seattle, Washington. Event details can be found below:

Date: Thursday, November 13, 2025

Location: The Royal Room – 5000 Rainier Ave S, Seattle, WA 98118

Doors: 6:30pm Show: 7:30pm

Tickets: \$20 in-advance, \$25 doors. Can be purchased in-advance <u>here</u>.

More event information is available here.

Background:

Green Amendments For The Generations is a 501(c)(3) organization that is working to secure constitutional environmental rights in every state across the nation, and ultimately at the federal level. Founded by Maya K. van Rossum, GAFTG's mission is to ensure every person and community across the United States is able to experience the health, quality of life, education, joy and economic prosperity

provided by a clean, safe and healthy environment; to end environmental racism; and to help ensure that nature itself is able to thrive, by constitutionally empowering all people to secure and enforce their inalienable human right to pure water, clean air, a stable climate, healthy ecosystems and environments. GAFTG is in active partnership with over half of states across the nation, including Washington, to secure state-level constitutional Green Amendments. Learn more about the Washington effort at www.WAGreenAmendment.org.

k-kollective is a community project founded by Karin Kallander. It was birthed out of necessity to remain connected and hopeful, while raising funds and awareness for communities in need during the height of the Covid-19 Pandemic. Since that time, k-kollective Has continued to collaborate with local musicians and artists to raise awareness and funds for just causes, and to spread joy. Learn more about k-kollective at https://lastminutemaybes.com/k-kollective.

Last Minute Maybes is a female-fronted band and a South Seattle staple with stunning vocal harmonies combined with guitar, bass, accordion/keys, and drums. They play a collage of music inspired by jazz, rock, funk, folk, Latin grooves and 80s/90s pop. With clever lyrics and rocking' riffs, they will groove their way into your heart till that toe tapping turns into a full-on body dance. The group supports the local community through social and environmental justice, using music as a unifying force to bring diverse people together in love and joy. See more at https://lastminutemaybes.com/.

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