

League of Women Voters, Drew University, NAACP, Morris County Chamber of Commerce, and NJ Hills Media Group Co-sponsor Debate for Congressional Seat in NJ District 11

With the goal to promote informed voting in a nonpartisan setting, the League of Women Voters of New Jersey, Drew University Center for Civic Engagement, the Montclair and Morris County branches of the NAACP, and the New Jersey Hills Media Group and the Morris County Chamber of Commerce are hosting a debate for candidates seeking the congressional seat representing New Jersey District 11.

DATE: Tuesday, October 25, 2022 at 7pm

LOCATION: Concert Hall, Drew University, 36 Madison Ave, Madison, NJ

CANDIDATES

Mikie Sherrill (D), incumbent Paul DeGroot (R) Joseph Biasco (I)

QUESTIONS: The community is invited to submit questions in advance by Friday, October 21 at 6pm at <u>https://forms.gle/EkRvoYehp7RMVfWZA</u>. Questions, submitted on cards, will also be taken from the audience attending the forum. Questions are screened by the League and co-sponsors for relevance to the position being sought. Multiple questions on one topic may be consolidated. Not every question may be asked due to time constraints.

VIRTUAL LOCATION: The forum can be viewed live and afterward on the LWV Morristown Area YouTube channel <u>https://www.youtube.com/c/morristownarealeagueofwomenvoters</u>.

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The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan, grassroots civic organization that encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy. The League does not support or oppose any political candidate or party. Membership in the League is open to people 16 years and older of all gender identities.

The <u>Morris County Chamber of Commerce</u>, headquartered in Florham Park, has more than 700 member organizations that range from entrepreneurs and small businesses to large corporations and Fortune 500 companies. The chamber is dedicated to the advancement of Morris County's businesses and community, and provides services, information and advocacy to support the growth of its member organizations. The chamber's many events, meetings and seminars provide a platform for members to connect, collaborate and succeed.

The <u>NAACP</u> is a multi-ethnic coalition of Freedom Fighters who are in Pursuit of The Beloved Community. A national organization founded in 1909 in response to the ongoing violence against Black people around the country, the NAACP's mission is to secure the political, educational, social, and economic equality of rights in order to eliminate race-based discrimination and ensure the health and well-being of all persons.



<u>Drew University</u>, a Phi Beta Kappa liberal arts university, includes the College of Liberal Arts, the Drew Theological School and the Caspersen School of Graduate Studies. Drew is located on a beautiful, wooded campus in Madison, New Jersey, a thriving small town close to New York City. It has a total enrollment of more than 2,200 students and has 136 full-time faculty members, 96% of whom hold the terminal degree in their field. The Theological and Caspersen schools offer master's and doctoral degrees, and the College confers BA and BS degrees in 40 disciplines and offers 19 dual-degree programs.

<u>New Jersey Hills Media Group</u> is a family of 14 local, independently owned newspapers providing fair and thorough news coverage in Morris, Somerset, Essex and Hunterdon counties. The group converted to nonprofit status this year under its new parent company, the Corporation for New Jersey Local Media, and will continue to provide responsible local journalism, expand their coverage, serve as watchdogs on local government, and keep their readers informed on the day-to-day lives of the 50 municipalities they serve.