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Mayor Mitch Landrieu endorses Kira Orange Jones for BESE District 2

NEW ORLEANS – Mayor Mitch Landrieu has announced his support of Kira Orange Jones for the District 2 seat on the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.

"I am voting for Kira Orange Jones because she works hard everyday to ensure every child has a chance to reach their God-given potential," said Mayor Mitch Landrieu. "No child should be stuck in a failing school. That's why our goal is to have no failing schools in New Orleans by 2018. As we work to improve all of our schools, we have a strong partner in Kira Orange Jones."

A former classroom teacher who has supported thousands of teachers as an administrator, Kira Orange Jones is a strong advocate for teachers and students on BESE. She was first elected to BESE in 2011.

"I would like to thank Mayor Landrieu for his support. We both know how important education is in not just changing young lives, but in many cases saving them." said Kira Orange Jones.

"While we have made significant improvements reducing drop outs, and improving ACT scores and graduation rates, there is still a lot of work to do. I appreciate the Mayor's support and his sincere efforts to help the children of our city."

BESE District 2 includes the east and west banks of New Orleans, the west bank of Jefferson, and St. Charles, St. John, St. James and Assumption parishes. Early voting starts this Saturday the 10 and runs through the 17th. The primary election is Saturday, Oct. 24, 2015.

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Kira Orange Jones has also been endorsed by the following organizations and individuals: U.S. Senator Mary Landrieu, Congressman Cedric Richmond, Council President Jason Williams, State Senator J.P. Morrell, State Representative Helena Moreno, State Representative Walt Leger, Jefferson Parish District Attorney Paul Connick, Jefferson Parish Councilman Mark Spears Jr., State Representative Randal Gaines, State Senator Troy Brown, St. John School Board Member Russell Jack, St. James School Board Member Tyler Jasmine, Times Picayune, Gambit, Alliance for Good Government, Stand For Children, Democrats for Education Reform (DFER), The NOEL Group, New Orleans Coalition, The Regular Democratic Organization, Crescent City Democratic Association, Forum For Equality, New Orleans Republican Executive Committee, Jefferson United, Inc., Citizens For Accountable Government, St. John Parish Political Action Organization, Treme Improvement Political Society (TIPS), APAC, BOLD and COUP.

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