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MAY SPEAKS AT SHARED AIR SUMMIT WITH JOHN KERRY IN TORONTO, CANADA

Event focuses on combating air pollution

HIGHLAND PARK- State Rep. Karen May (D-Highland Park) joined U.S. Senator John Kerry and Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty in speaking on Monday at the *2006 Shared Air Summit* in Toronto, Canada, demonstrating her continued efforts to promote cleaner air and combat pollution.

“I am so excited and honored to attend such an important and worthwhile event with these distinguished participants,” May said. “The Shared Air Summit demonstrates our global commitment to combating air pollution and providing future generations with a stable and healthy environment.”

The 2006 Shared Air Summit took place on June 26 in Toronto, Canada at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel. The purpose of Monday’s event was to gather the world’s leading environmental and medical experts and government leaders to determine the future steps necessary to promote cleaner air and a healthy environment. In addition to May, other participants included US Senator John Kerry live via video-conference, Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty, U.S. Silver-Medalist Sara Renner and acclaimed photographer, author and first neurologist in space Dr. Roberta Bondar.

“As state representative, I have worked to preserve Illinois’ natural wetlands, protect women and children from harmful mercury and hold big business accountable for the pollution and environmental damage it causes,” May said. “This summit enabled me to expand my efforts on an international level, and I look forward to continuing to fight for clean air and a clean environment.”

Rep. May lauded the Ontario government’s pledge to phase out all coal-fired power plants in the province. After the summit, she attended briefings by key governmental officials and staff who are implementing the progressive environmental program.

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