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### **Congresswoman Stephanie Tubbs Jones Announces Her Support for Attorney General Candidate Subodh Chandra; Joined by Cleveland Mayor Frank Jackson and Dayton Mayor Rhine McLin**

Cleveland, Ohio – Congresswoman Stephanie Tubbs Jones this week announced her support for Subodh Chandra, Democratic Candidate for Ohio Attorney General. The announcement came at an 11<sup>th</sup> District Caucus meeting, where Congresswoman Tubbs Jones, Cleveland Mayor Frank Jackson, and Dayton Mayor Rhine McLin all announced their endorsement of Chandra.

"Subodh fought for us as Cleveland's Law Director by protecting the elderly and vulnerable from predatory lenders. He took on corruption schemes and sought justice for people like Michael Green, who spent 13-years in prison for a crime he didn't commit," said Tubbs Jones, a former Cuyahoga County Prosecuting Attorney and judge.

She added that "Subodh is the people's lawyer and he will fight to protect all of us as Ohio's next attorney general. As a former prosecutor and law director, he is also positioned better than anyone else to take on Betty Montgomery in the fall and represent the people of Ohio in all types of legal action."

Tubbs Jones was the first African-American woman elected to the United States House of Representatives from Ohio. Prior to her election to the House, she served as the first African-American and the first female Cuyahoga County Prosecuting Attorney. Tubbs Jones was also the first African-American woman to sit on the Common Pleas bench in the State of Ohio. She also served as a national co-chair of the 2004 Kerry/Edwards presidential campaign.

Chandra welcomed the endorsement, saying that, "Congresswoman Tubbs Jones has made a career of breaking barriers for African-American women. Her endorsement is particularly meaningful to me, as I seek to break barriers for my own community and become the first South-Asian American elected to statewide office anywhere."

Over the last few weeks, Chandra has received numerous endorsements from African-American leaders across the state. In addition to Cleveland Mayor Frank Jackson and Dayton Mayor Rhine McLin, Chandra has also been endorsed by Cuyahoga County Commissioner Peter Lawson Jones, East Cleveland Mayor Eric Brewer, Dayton City Commissioner Dean Lovelace, State Representative Fred Strahorn, State Representative Tyrone Yates, and State Representative Catherine Barrett, among others. Chandra was also recently endorsed by the Suburban Black Elected Officials.

To see a full list of Chandra's endorsements, please visit [www.ChandraForOhio.com](http://www.ChandraForOhio.com).

Chandra is a former federal prosecutor and former Director of Law for the City of Cleveland. He is running for attorney general in the Democratic Primary, which will be held on Tuesday, May 2, 2006.

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