

June 5, 2025

Dear Governor Newsom, Secretary Garcia, Attorney General Bonta, and Chair Randolph:

At the end of May, through an unprecedented and illegal misuse of the Congressional Review Act (CRA), the United States Senate, following a prior House vote, voted to disapprove the Environmental Protection Agency's previously issued waivers of preemption for California's Advanced Clean Cars II, Advanced Clean Trucks, and Omnibus Low NOx regulations.

We write to thank Governor Newsom, Attorney General Bonta, Chair Randolph, and Secretary Garcia for your resolve and strong commitment to continuing the work of reducing dangerous vehicle pollution and protecting the health and safety of millions of Californians. We thank you for announcing legal action challenging the unprecedented and illegal Congressional action catalyzed by EPA Administrator Zeldin's unlawful reclassification of these California waivers as rules subject to the CRA.

The undersigned organizations from the environmental, health, and equity communities stand firmly with California's leaders in reducing this harmful pollution and supporting the transition to a cleaner, zero-emission transportation system, despite these roadblocks.

California has a long history of advancing vehicle pollution reductions and advanced clean vehicle technologies, coupled with strong economic growth and financial savings for California consumers. After the Senate's passage of the CRA resolutions, the Governor and Chair Randolph expressed a steadfast commitment to continuing that vital legacy, working with communities and industry to drive the innovation that we need, including through development of the next generation of clean vehicle standards. California also joined 10 other states in the Affordable Clean Cars Coalition, a group of states committed to advancing clean vehicles in a manner that cuts harmful pollution, saves consumers money, and supports manufacturing jobs. Our organizations are eager to support and collaborate as you move forward with these important measures.

California's air pollution problems are serious and urgent. Despite making substantial progress over the years, many communities in California still face unhealthy air quality levels, especially in the South Coast and San Joaquin Valley. Mobile sources are responsible for the majority of the state's smog-forming pollution and toxic diesel emissions, and 39% of California's carbon pollution. California's local Air Districts depend on reductions from California's many mobile source reduction programs, including ACC II, ACT, and the Omnibus NOx standards, to meet past and current national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) and the state implementation plan (SIP). Many districts have acknowledged that meeting these goals depends on the emissions reductions associated with increasing deployment and market penetration of zero-emission technologies, and California's continued resolve to reduce pollution and protect Californians will help support these important efforts.

Momentum toward electrification and reducing transportation pollution has been building across the nation and the globe, and California is a leader in those efforts. We know that zero-emitting

vehicles are already helping secure vital reductions in deadly particulates and ground-level ozone pollution afflicting communities across California. They have also put California on a path to achieving greater long-term GHG reductions, deliver financial savings due to lower fuel costs, and boost high-paying jobs.

We support and stand with California in your continued resolve and vital leadership to protect the health and safety of more than 39 million people in California communities, particularly for the communities that disproportionately bear the burdens of this pollution.

Sincerely,

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Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments
American Lung Association
Breathe Southern California
California Environmental Voters
California Interfaith Power & Light
California Nurses for Environmental Health and Justice
CALSTART
Center for Biological Diversity
Center for Community Action and Environmental Justice (CCA EJ)
Clean Air Task Force
Clean Water Action
Climate Action California
Climate Health Now
Climate Power
Coalition for Clean Air
Coltura
E2 - Environmental Entrepreneurs
Electric Vehicle Association
Environment California
Environmental Defense Fund
Evergreen Action
GreenLatinos
Health Care Without Harm
League of Conservation Voters
Moms Clean Air Force
Move LA
Natural Resources Defense Council
Physicians for Social Responsibility/Sacramento
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Public Citizen
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Sierra Club California

The Climate Center

The Greenlining Institute

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