

October 12, 2019

The Honorable Gavin Newsom  
Governor, State of California  
State Capitol, First Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Governor Newsom,

Thank you for your commitment to improving California's environment. We agree that California should lead in the fight against climate change. However, we are concerned about recent comments by some elected leaders and state regulators indicating a preference for a single solution to achieve California's carbon neutrality policies. The State of California is a leader in the fight against climate change, but we can only lead if others follow. As such our policies should continue to focus on traditional renewables with solar and wind but also include cost-effective emission reductions which include investments in renewable natural gas, hydrogen and other clean fuels.

California's climate goals are bold and reaching them will require unprecedented levels of collaboration. As you know, there is no silver bullet approach to achieving economy-wide carbon neutrality. Our cities are eager to help your administration reach for that aggressive goal, but we are concerned that additional mandates on new or existing housing may overburden already stretched homeowners and renters and make it even more difficult for cities to achieve the state's affordable housing goals.

We believe California should pursue a balanced, inclusive and technology-neutral approach to protecting the environment. Our state's environmental challenges and goals are as diverse as our cities and communities. That is why it is paramount that local governments be able to participate in developing and deploying viable, affordable solutions to climate change that every one of our communities can embrace.

As a former Mayor we are certain you will agree that climate change is one of many concerns facing residents in our cities. Increasing costs for housing and rising energy bills are also top concerns and we must be sure that we provide residents across our state with affordable energy options that can also help California meet its climate goals.

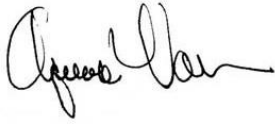
The energy that millions of families depend on to heat their homes and cook their food is a necessity, not a luxury and providing cost effective options is essential.

As local government leaders, we support the following principles to guide balanced, effective solutions to reduce emissions:

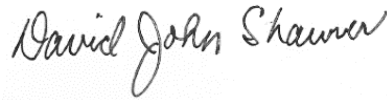
- Technology-neutral support for innovation in all forms of renewable energy
- Preserving choice, minimizing disruption and maintaining affordability for consumers
- Including local government to ensure the diverse needs of our communities are considered
- Protecting jobs and local economies as we transition to a clean energy future

We are excited to be a part of California's plan for an inclusive, clean energy future that meets the needs of our communities. We thank you for your leadership and believe your vision of a "California for All" includes clean, affordable energy for all.

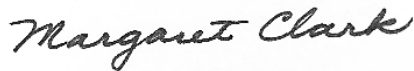
Respectfully,



Acquanetta Warren  
Mayor, City of Fontana



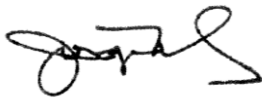
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