

June 21, 2022

The Honorable Kevin Mullin Assemblymember, 22nd District State Capitol P.O. Box 942849 Sacramento, CA 94249-0022

RE: <u>AB 2622 (Mullin) Sales and use taxes: exemptions: California Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project: transit buses.</u> – SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Mullin,

We the City Council of the City of Carson, are writing to express our support for AB 2622 (Mullin). We strongly support efforts to incentivize California public agencies to purchase Zero-Emission Buses (ZEBs) and help communities attain better air quality. AB 2622 would extend the current partial Sales and Use Tax Law exemption for specified zero-emission technology transit buses from the current sunset date of January 1, 2024, to January 1, 2026.

As climate change accelerates, the state must do more to encourage wider adoption of ZEBs. Despite the many environmental advantages linked with mass adoption, ZEBs are prohibitively expensive. Consequently, this presents a conundrum to many public agencies, as they must somehow finance their transition to a zero-emission fleet by 2040. AB 2622 would help reduce these sizable upfront costs, and propel the state into a position to meet key climate goals.

For these reasons, the City of Carson supports AB 2622. Should you have any questions, please contact the City Manager's Office at 310-952-1728.