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The Honorable Gavin Newsom
Governor, State of California
Office of the Governor
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Governor Newsom,

We, the undersigned California Mayors, local elected leaders and public officials, write to express our strong support for California adopting a strong zero emission vehicle (ZEV) requirement for medium- and heavy-duty vehicles to reduce air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions.

Our cities have significant air pollution challenges – 7 of the 10 most polluted regions in the country are found in California – and climate change is only making smog worse. Air pollution causes significant health impacts – especially to kids and families that live close to truck corridors. Furthermore, the increased residential truck traffic from the proliferation of home delivery and next day shipping is further exacerbating local air pollution in all of California's communities.

Adopting a strong ZEV mandate for trucks will not only help clean our air, but will also help our cities benefit from the jobs and investment potential of clean truck manufacturing and building electric vehicle infrastructure. We applaud the California Air Resource Board's efforts in undertaking the Advanced Clean Trucks Rule and urge the adoption of strong zero-emission vehicle targets that will protect our communities from harmful air pollution and address the largest source of carbon pollution in the United States.

A strong mandate will help introduce more zero-emission vehicles and technologies in California and ensure we aren't left behind as global markets rapidly move towards zero emission transportation solutions. A strong mandate will also provide certainty for manufacturers and fleet operators, reduce greenhouse gases, protect public health, and allow our cities to continue moving towards our climate and clean air goals.

In developing the Advanced Clean Trucks Rule, we encourage California to consider a standard that:

- Puts more zero-emission medium- and heavy-duty vehicles on the road faster;
- Ensures all classes of trucks have zero-emission vehicle sales beginning in 2024;
- Simultaneously supports a complementary market for zero-emission vehicles; and
- Prioritizes communities disproportionately impacted by transportation emissions.

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We will continue to support actions to protect the health of our communities and our environment and look forward to a strong final rule.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Mary Nichols, Chair, California Air Resources Board