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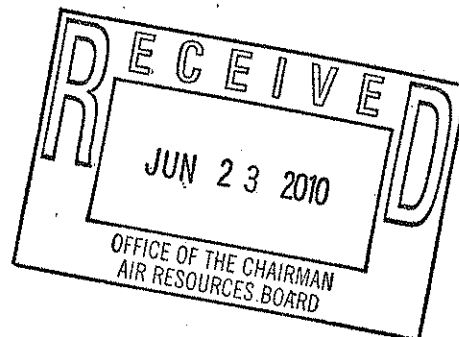
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Chair Mary D. Nichols  
California Air Resources Board  
1001 I Street  
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Dear Esteemed Chair Nichols and Fellow Board Members of the California Air Resources Board,

I am writing to express my support for the continued greenhouse gas reduction target-setting process as outlined in SB 375. SB 375 will help cities save money by using energy, water and infrastructure more efficiently. Municipalities are currently spending billions of dollars on services such as police and fire protection in order to support housing developments that are far from work and shopping locations.

Applying smart growth principles dramatically reduces infrastructure costs and creates thoughtful, sustainable living communities. SB 375's target-setting process will save municipal tax dollars with an estimated \$16 billion dollars for the Sacramento region alone, and support market trends for smart growth and walkable communities.

SB 375 is also pivotal for California and the Sacramento region because it builds healthier, sustainable communities where people minimally impact the environment by utilizing mass transit, walking and biking. The City of Sacramento will continue its leadership role in implementing its 2009 General Plan to improve the sustainability of our city, including a Climate Change Action Plan. I urge you to continue the greenhouse gas reduction target-setting process, and offer my assistance and full support in this endeavor.

Sincerely,

STEVE COHN  
Councilmember, District 3