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Hon. Al Muratsuchi  
Assemblymember, District 66  
P.O. Box 942849, Room 4117  
Sacramento, CA 94249-0066

**RE: AB 2565 (Muratsuchi) Electric Vehicle Charging Stations – SUPPORT**

Dear Assembly Member Muratsuchi,

On behalf of the Cities Association of Santa Clara County, I write to you to express support for AB 2565. The Cities Association of Santa Clara County is a collaboration of the 15 cities in Santa Clara County and advocates for positive action to enhance the quality of life for the people of our county. Aligned with the Governor's 1.5 million Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) goal by 2025 and the Clean Vehicle Rebate Program, AB 2565 protects the rights of individuals and businesses to install self-financed electric vehicle (EV) charging stations in leased commercial or residential property and supports the growing number of EV adopters in our region and the state of California.

As you are aware, Californians are the most aggressive EV Adopters in the nation. Transportation represents the fastest growing source of national greenhouse gas emissions (GHG), and the largest single source in California, accounting for 40% of emissions. In Silicon Valley and the Bay Area, that number is higher still – 51% of total greenhouse gas emissions.

Though plug-in electric vehicles (PHEVs) are increasing penetration among the 247 million registered conventional passenger vehicles in the United States, most PHEV owners do not have a way to charge their vehicle once they leave their home. Addressing this gap in alternative transportation infrastructure will enable existing PHEV and EV owners to access the resources required for mobility and eliminate the barriers to market entry for new and emerging electric vehicle technology companies.

The Cities Association of Santa Clara County appreciates your leadership and supports AB 2565 provision to remove lease restrictions that prevent business and apartment tenants from installing the infrastructure required to charge their cars at home, at work and throughout our communities.

Sincerely,



Steve Tate  
President, Cities Association of Santa Clara County  
Mayor, City of Morgan Hill

CC: Cities Association Board of Directors