

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-188

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO SUPPORTING LOCAL CONTROL IN ENERGY CHOICE AND SOLUTIONS

On Tuesday December 17, 2019, on motion of Supervisor Rutherford, duly seconded by Supervisor Lovingood and carried, the following resolution is adopted by the Board of Supervisors of San Bernardino County, State of California.

RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors (the "Board") of the County of San Bernardino (the "County") that:

WHEREAS California has been a leader in efforts to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases; and

WHEREAS the state legislature and state agencies are increasingly proposing new legislation and regulations eliminating choice of energy by mandating technologies to power buildings and public and private fleets, including transit and long-haul trucking, as a strategy to achieve the state's climate goals; and

WHEREAS clean, affordable and reliable energy is crucial to the material health, safety and well-being of San Bernardino County residents, particularly the most vulnerable, who live on fixed incomes, including the elderly and working families who are struggling financially; and

WHEREAS the need for clean, affordable and reliable energy to attract and retain local businesses, create jobs and spur economic development is vital to our County's success in a highly competitive and increasingly regional and global marketplace; and

WHEREAS the County, its residents and businesses value local control and the right to choose the policies and investments that most affordably and efficiently enable them to comply with state requirements; and

WHEREAS building and vehicle technology mandates eliminate local control and customer choice, suppress innovation, reduce reliability and unnecessarily increase costs for County residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS the County understands that relying on a single energy delivery system unnecessarily increases vulnerabilities to natural and man-made disasters, and that a diversity of energy delivery systems and resources contribute to greater reliability and community resilience; and

WHEREAS the County understands the need to mitigate the impacts of climate change and is committed to doing its part to help the state achieve its climate goals, but requires the flexibility to do so in a manner that best serves the needs of its residents and businesses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino, as follows: That San Bernardino County supports balanced energy solutions that provide it with the decision-making authority and resources needed to achieve the state's climate goals.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino, State of California, by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS: Robert A. Lovingood, Janice Rutherford, Dawn Rowe,
Curt Hagman, Josie Gonzales

NOES: SUPERVISORS: None

ABSENT: SUPERVISORS: None

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO)

I, **LYNNA MONELL**, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino, State of California, hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true and correct copy of the record of the action taken by the Board of Supervisors, by vote of the members present, as the same appears in the Official Minutes of said Board at its meeting of December 17, 2019. #23LA

LYNNA MONELL
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By _____

Deputy

