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Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger  
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Sacramento, CA 95814  
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**RE: SUPPORT FOR AB 32**

Dear Governor Schwarzenegger:

I am writing *(if on behalf of an organization, insert “on behalf of [organization name]”)* to express strong support for AB 32, the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, and **to urge you to approve this legislative bill.**

I, along with the California Bicycle Coalition, support AB 32 as an opportunity to promote bicycling as an effective strategy for reducing the amount of greenhouse gases released into the atmosphere.

Automobiles are responsible for a significant portion of the greenhouse gases released into the atmosphere. According to the Clean Air Council, motor vehicle emissions represent 31% of total carbon dioxide, 81% of carbon monoxide, and 49% of nitrogen oxides released in the U.S. The National Safety Council states that the greatest amount of these pollutants are released during the first few minutes it takes for a car to warm up. Since 40% of trips are less than two miles in distance, these “cold start” emissions could be avoided by bicycling.

Investment in bicycle transportation infrastructure projects, such as on-road bike lanes and bike parking facilities, would help to increase the number of people using bicycling and other non-polluting modes of transportation. The Federal Highway Administration reports that nationally, cities with at least one mile of bike lane for every three miles of arterial roadway have 3 to 10 times higher average bicycle commuting rates than cities with lesser ratios.

Thank you in advance for promoting bicycling as a pollution free mode of transportation via your approval of AB 32.

Sincerely,

*Your Name*

*Organization Name (if applicable)*

*(If not on letterhead, provide address and phone number)*