Community Leader’s Letter to Congress

Organization/Individual Endorsing Carbon Fee & Dividend

WHEREAS...
The costs of climate change—including destabilized weather patterns, rising sea levels, extreme weather events, and other serious impacts—now pose a substantial threat to the health, prosperity, and security of Americans. The costs are real, they are growing, and they are already burdening businesses, taxpayers, municipal budgets, and families. Our economy, infrastructure, public safety, and health are directly at risk.

THEREFORE...
I/we urge Congress to support Carbon Fee & Dividend as a key element in reducing the risks of climate change. Carbon Fee & Dividend will significantly reduce carbon emissions, create jobs, grow the economy, save lives, and protect households from higher energy prices.

Carbon Fee & Dividend will place a fee on fossil fuels at the source (at the well, mine, or port of entry), beginning at $15/metric ton CO2 equivalent emissions, and steadily increase annually at $10/metric ton. 100% of the net fees are returned to American households on a per-capita basis as a monthly dividend. Finally, a border adjustment assesses a fee or rebate on goods traded with countries without a comparable carbon price.

Enacting such a policy will:

- Send a clear price signal to entrepreneurs and existing businesses to invest in a clean-energy economy
- Protect lower and middle-income households, as two-thirds of families will break even or receive more in dividends than they would pay for in higher living expenses
- Create jobs, as the dividend puts money back into local economies
- Discourage domestic businesses from relocating where they can emit more CO2 and encourage other nations to adopt an equivalent price on carbon

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Citizens’ Climate Lobby
CLERK’S CERTIFICATION

I, Bristol A. Toller, Deputy City Clerk of the City of Davis, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution No. 17-060, Series 2017, duly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of said city, duly and regularly held at the regular meeting place thereof on the 6th day of June, 2017, at which meeting all of the members of said City Council had due notice and at which meeting a majority thereof was present; that at said meeting said resolution was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Arnold, Frerichs, Lee, Swanson, Davis

NOES: None

I have compared the same with the original minutes of said meeting on file and of record in my office, said resolution is on file in the City Clerk’s office and is a full, true and correct copy of the original resolution adopted at said meeting and entered in said minutes. Said resolution has not been amended, modified or rescinded since the date of its adoption and the same is now in full force and effect.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the City of Davis this 13th day of June, 2017.

Bristol A. Toller
Deputy City Clerk
City of Davis
RESOLUTION NO. 17-060, SERIES 2017

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DAVIS IN SUPPORT OF
THE CARBON FEE AND DIVIDEND PROGRAM

WHEREAS, having determined that the Carbon Fee and Dividend legislative principles proposed by the Citizens Climate Lobby would provide an efficient approach to shifting incentives that keep the United States reliant on fossil fuel energy and would, thereby, help support the rapid deployment of cleaner energy alternatives; and

WHEREAS, having determined that this approach would be fair to everyone and would protect the middle and low income households by providing them with a dividend (also known as a rebate) that, on average, would be higher than the increased costs for energy for two-thirds of all households during the transition to cleaner energy; and

WHEREAS, per the non-partisan study by Regional Economic Models, Inc (REMI), this approach would ensure a substantial increase in private investment in cleaner energy options because they will become significantly less expensive relative to fossil fuels within a known time frame; and

WHEREAS, this approach would encourage consumers and businesses to keep their carbon footprint smaller while still ensuring that all households would be able to afford the energy they need during the transition to cleaner energy; and

WHEREAS, this approach addresses needs and concerns in the City’s Climate Action and Adaptation Plan to reduce greenhouse gas use in the city of Davis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Davis does hereby support the Carbon Fee and Dividend and authorizes the Mayor to sign a letter of support to Congress on behalf of the City.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Davis on this 6th day of June, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES: Arnold, Frerichs, Lee, Swanson, Davis

NOES: None

Robb Davis
Mayor

ATTEST:

Zoe M. Mirabile, CMC
City Clerk