February 14, 2022

The Honorable Nanette Diaz Barragan  
United States House of Representatives  
2246 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515  

RE: Support for H.R. 6662—The EVs for All Act

Dear Congresswoman Barragan,

On behalf of the City of Long Beach, I write in support of H.R. 6662, the Electric Vehicles (EVs) for All Act. This legislation would expand access to EVs for residents of publicly subsidized housing and help advance environmental justice and equity nationwide.

The EVs for All Act would develop a grant program for local governments, public housing agencies, and non-profit organizations to support EV car sharing services at public housing projects. The legislation would authorize up to $50 million in annual appropriations over the next decade to support EV accessibility for low-income community members. In addition to the historic $7.5 billion in EV charging resources through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, the EVs for All Act will ensure additional investments in electrification regardless of socioeconomic status.

The City supports legislation and funding that encourages the use of electric vehicles and provides incentives to cities with innovative low-carbon fuel programs. In line with the City’s Climate Action and Adaptation Plan, Long Beach is in the process of developing an EV infrastructure blueprint to transition to zero-emissions vehicles. The EVs for All Act would provide vital resources to help the City reduce transportation emissions and improve air quality, especially in lower-income neighborhoods that are disproportionately affected by vehicle pollution and at sites like the Carmelitos Public Housing Development in North Long Beach.

For these reasons, the City supports the EVs for All Act.

Sincerely,

Mayor Robert Garcia  
City of Long Beach

cc: The Honorable Senator Dianne Feinstein  
The Honorable Senator Alex Padilla  
The Honorable Congressmember Alan Lowenthal, 47th District