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To:
Mayor Steinberg DSteinberg@cityofsacramento.org
Mayor Cabaldon CHRISTOPHERC@cityofwestsacramento.org
Julia Burrows JBurrows@cityofsacramento.org

Request to Julia Burrows; Please distribute this letter to the commissioners

Dear Mayor Steinberg, Mayor Cabaldo and Julia Burrows:

The Sacramento Dharma Center, a Buddhist based organization with over 1,000 supporters and active members, endorses without reservation the Mayor's Commission on Climate Change report.

Members of our Climate Change Sangha (Buddhist word for community) have attended the public meetings, both in person and online, and have reported back to our community. Our Buddhist community is in full support of the report and its recommended actions.

Addressing climate change can no longer be put off to another time. We all know that the climate crisis is an immediate and existential threat, and that we need to make these improvements as quickly as possible (in fact, we are concerned that the current commission timeline is too slow). We can't afford to allow this effort to be watered down or delayed.

As a Buddhist community, the commission's goals are in alignment with our belief system of walking lightly on the earth, and causing as little harm as possible to ourselves and to all other species. We are proud to be living in a city which is actively addressing climate change. Please implement these recommendations immediately.

With appreciation for your work,

Rev. Vimutitpala Diane Wilde
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