

## **City of Hermosa Beach**

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The Honorable Mike Gipson Assemblymember, 64<sup>th</sup> District State Capitol P.O. Box 942849 Sacramento, CA 94249-0064

## RE: AB 2074 (Gipson) Air Quality Improvement Program: micromobility devices. – SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Gipson,

On behalf of the the City of Hermosa Beach, I am writing to express our support for AB 2074 (Gipson). We strongly support efforts to incentivize Californians to purchase electric vehicles and encourage a cleaner mode of travel. AB 2074 would create a rebate program for the purchase of micromobility devices which are low-speed vehicles powered by an electric powertrain with a top speed of 25 miles per hour. These vehicles include devices such electric bicycles, tricycles, scooters, skateboards, and neighborhood electric vehicles/golf-carts.

As climate change accelerates, the state must do more to encourage individuals to shift travel modes into cleaner battery powered modes of transportation. Despite California's incentives towards the purchase of full-size electric vehicles (EVs) over the past several years, EV adoption remains low. AB 2074 would help reduce the costs of micromobility devices that are more affordable to most Californians than a Tesla or similar full-size EV. The entire range of micromobility devices should be incentivized so that all Californians can do their part to reduce travel-related greenhouse gas emissions.

For these reasons, the City of Hermosa Beach supports AB 2074. Should you have any questions, contact our City Manager, Suja Lowenthal, at suja@hermosabeach.gov.

Sincerely,

Michael Detoy Mayor of Hermosa Beach

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