

## 2018-2019 Support for AB-40 and 100% Clean Transportation in California

**WHEREAS**, the United Nations' Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change reports that any delay of aggressive actions combating climate change will engender "severe, pervasive and irreversible impacts for people and ecosystems, and long-lasting changes in all components of the climate system"<sup>1</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, 176.05 million metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, or 41% of emissions in California, originate from transportation-related causes<sup>2</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, California AB-40 (Ting and Kalra) directs the California Air Resources Board to create a comprehensive plan ensuring that all "sales of new motor vehicles and new light-duty trucks in the state have transitioned fully to zero-emission vehicles by 2040"<sup>3</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, the University of California has already committed to 100% clean purchased energy by 2025<sup>4</sup> and is phasing out diesel buses in exchange for electric and natural-gas-powered buses<sup>5</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, 1,100 students signed petitions by CALPIRG Students at UCLA supporting clean air, clean energy, and clean transportation;

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT**, the 2018-2019 USAC affirms its support for a transition to zero-emission vehicles and other forms of clean transportation.

**LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, the 2018-2019 USAC endorses California AB-40 and its goal of furthering the proliferation of zero-emission vehicles in California.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.ipcc.ch/report/ar5/syr/>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.arb.ca.gov/cc/inventory/data/data.htm>

<sup>3</sup> [http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill\\_id=201920200AB40](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB40)

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/news/100-percent-clean-electricity>

<sup>5</sup> <https://dailybruin.com/2016/09/27/ucla-zooms-towards-carbon-neutrality-with-new-electric-buses/>