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Dear Governor Carney and Secretary Garvin,

Please consider this email as a **STRONG** endorsement of support for Delaware's adoption of the Advanced Clean Cars II program.

Because Delaware is being impacted by sea level rise so dramatically, we citizens need to do everything we can to address climate change. Buying an Electric Vehicle is a great way to make a difference in the fight against sea level rise. EVs have also been shown to make a positive effect to reduce air pollution in communities with high percentages of asthma.

I recently attended a town hall meeting hosted by the Caesar Rodney organization. Much of the information presented was incorrect and gave the impression that EVs were dangerous and costly, and the Advanced Clean Cars II program was not presented accurately. Since this Caesar Rodney group is funded by organizations like the Heritage Foundation and the Koch brothers, their methodology and positions must be very suspect. Clearly, there is a financial and political motivation to discourage states from transitioning into more electric vehicles. The Republican legislators were encouraging attendees to write to you protesting the Advanced Clean Cars II program. You need to know that citizens were being misinformed and given incorrect information on EV cars and also on pollution and climate change in Delaware. Those who contact you and protest against this program have been misled.

Those Delawareans who want to own an EV need the Governor to join the ACC II program. Now it is very difficult to purchase an EV in Delaware. If we join the program, car manufacturers will provide more EV options to Delaware and Delaware citizens will have the choice to own an EV or not. Delawareans deserve the right and ability to own an EV!

After doing lots of research I ordered an EV in December, 2021. But I had to purchase it out of state, not from a Delaware car dealer. And then I had to wait until October 2022 to take possession of my EV. At the Caesar Rodney organization town hall I explained that their information about the costs of EVs, the battery efficiency, car flammability-all of their negativity about EVs was inaccurate. I love my EV. I love feeling that I am doing something to make our world better for my Grandchildren. I love not having to take my car for 5,000 mile check ups, or buying gas. I feel so strongly that Delawareans should have lots of options for owning an EV

or hybrid car. Supporting the Advanced Clean Cars II program is the way to make this happen for Delawareans. Thank you for your consideration of supporting this initiative.

Sincerely Yours,

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