

Subject: Opposition to Your Authority on The EV Mandate

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To: HearingComments, DNREC (MailBox Resources)

I am writing to vehemently oppose the unconstitutional overreach of authority demonstrated by the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) in attempting to mandate Delaware citizens' modes of transportation. As free American citizens, we staunchly defend our inherent right to choose our preferred mode of transportation without intrusive interference or government mandates. While I understand the importance of environmental conservation, I believe it is crucial to strike a balance between these goals that affect our US Constitutional individual freedoms. Your attempts to regulate and mandate specific modes of transportation encroach upon everyone's personal liberties and rights which are a fundamental and essential provision of our democratic society. As an American citizen, I have the right to freely choose my preferred means of transportation based on my lifestyle, finances, and personal preferences. It is not the role of DNREC or any government agency to dictate my personal decisions. I strongly believe that authority to determine how I travel should be solely in my hands, as long as my choices comply with pre-existing DMV laws, statutes, and regulations. As concerned citizens, we must vigorously remind public servants of their duty to prioritize the welfare of Delaware's citizens. Moreover, elected officials and appointed representatives are entrusted with the responsibility to make informed decisions on behalf of their constituents. I feel compelled to remind you that as a public servant, your primary duty is to serve and work for the best interests of all the citizens of Delaware, not a self chosen select group, and not to levy and impose yours or anyone's misguided personal beliefs or agendas upon us. I seriously urge you to reconsider your approach and redirect your efforts towards engaging in continued productive dialogue with the public, fostering understanding, and encouraging voluntary adoption of sustainable and of realistic practices. Only through education, awareness, and cooperation can we create a society that is both environmentally conscious and respectful of individual liberties. In closing, I reiterate my strong opposition to DNREC's attempts to regulate and mandate modes of transportation. I implore you to listen to the concerns of the people you serve and respect their rights and freedoms. Failure to do so will undoubtedly lead to increased dissent and further significant erosion of public trust. Thank you for your attention to this matter. I trust that you will act in the best interests of the citizens of Delaware. Sincerely,

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