



STAFF REPORT BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER: 10.

TITLE

Energy Independence and Affordability Act Letter of Support

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Minute Order authorizing the Mayor to sign a Letter of Support for the Federal Energy Independence and Affordability Act.

CONTACT

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BACKGROUND & ANALYSIS

Congressman Mike Thompson (CA-04) has introduced the Energy Independence and Affordability Act, legislation designed to restore critical clean energy tax credits and incentives that were rolled back in prior federal legislation. These credits directly benefit families, small businesses, and manufacturers by lowering energy costs, stimulating local economic growth, and advancing domestic clean energy innovation.

The Act focuses on:

- Lowering costs for families and businesses through residential efficiency and renewable energy incentives.
- Boosting clean energy production by restoring credits for solar, wind, clean hydrogen, and advanced manufacturing.
- Driving the automotive future with extended credits for electric and clean vehicles, as well as charging and refueling infrastructure.

According to the legislative summary (Attachment 1), these measures collectively aim to enhance affordability, create clean energy jobs, strengthen U.S. manufacturing, and ensure America remains competitive in the global clean technology market.

Supporting this legislation aligns with the City's adopted sustainability and climate action goals by:

- Encouraging energy efficiency in homes and businesses.
- Supporting renewable energy investment in the region.
- Promoting economic resilience and job creation in clean energy sectors.

The City of American Canyon has consistently prioritized sustainability initiatives, including community energy programs, renewable power adoption, and municipal efficiency upgrades. A letter of support reinforces the City's continued advocacy for state and federal policies that reduce carbon emissions and promote energy affordability.

COUNCIL PRIORITY PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS

Environmental Sustainability: "Demonstrate leadership in environmental sustainability."

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with approving this action.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

None

COMMUNICATION

Level 0: No Further Public Communication Needed

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Legislative Summary - Energy Independence and Affordability Act