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**RE: SB 32 (Pavley): California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 - Support**

Dear Dr. Smith:

The California Conference of Local Health Officers (CCLHO) Board recently voted to take a support recommendation on SB 32, the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (Act of 2006), authored by Senator Pavley, that would require the State Air Resources Board (ARB) to adopt a statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit equivalent to the statewide greenhouse gas emissions level in 1990 to be achieved by 2020 and to adopt rules and regulations in an open public process to achieve the maximum, technologically feasible, and cost-effective greenhouse gas emissions reductions.

Governor Executive Order S-3-05 sets long-term greenhouse gas emissions reduction targets to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 2000 levels by 2010, reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels by 2020, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050. This bill would require the state board to approve statewide greenhouse gas emissions limits that are equivalent to 40% below the 1990 level to be achieved by 2030 and 80% below the 1990 level to be achieved by 2050, as specified. The bill would also authorize the state board to adopt an interim greenhouse gas emissions level target to be achieved by 2040. The bill also would state the intent of the Legislature for the Legislature and appropriate agencies to adopt complementary policies that ensure the long-term emissions reductions advance specified criteria.

CCLHO recommends that CDPH support SB 32. SB 32 would provide regulatory certainty by establishing the greenhouse gas reduction limit of 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050 in law. This level of climate pollution has been identified by the international scientific community as necessary to stave off the worst effects of climate change on California's health and safety.

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Thank you for your consideration. If you have questions, please contact me at [Muntu.davis@acgov.org](mailto:Muntu.davis@acgov.org) or 510-267-8010. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Muntu Davis MD, MPH". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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