

RESOLUTION NO. 113-19

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND,
CALIFORNIA, BARRING THE CITY OF RICHMOND FROM PURCHASING OR
LEASING NON-ELECTRIC VEHICLES, INCLUDING HYBRIDS, FROM
AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURERS THAT REFUSE TO SUPPORT THE STATE OF
CALIFORNIA'S VEHICLE EMISSIONS REGULATIONS**

WHEREAS, in California, the production, refining, and use of petroleum accounts for almost half of greenhouse gas emissions, 80% of smog-forming pollution, and over 95% of cancer-causing diesel particulate matter; and

WHEREAS, in California, vehicles and transportation fuels are the dominant sources of carbon emissions, and in order to meet its health based air quality standards and vision to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 40% below 1990 levels by 2030, the State of California committed to cut petroleum use in half and reduce the carbon intensity of transportation fuel by at least 20%; and

WHEREAS, the City of Richmond adopted its Climate Action Plan in October 2016, which sets a 2020 greenhouse gas reduction target of 15% below 2005 levels and a 2030 performance goal that 17% of vehicles used by residents and businesses will be zero emission vehicles; and

WHEREAS, zero-emission vehicles, which include full battery-electric, hydrogen fuel cell, and plug-in hybrid-electric vehicles, have ultra-low smog-forming and greenhouse gas pollutants over their life, including their fuel production emissions; and

WHEREAS, in September 2019, the Trump administration announced that it was revoking California's authority to set its own greenhouse gas and vehicle fuel efficiency standards and barring all states from setting such rules; and

WHEREAS, several automakers have backed the Trump administration's decision, namely Fiat Chrysler Automobiles N.V., General Motors Company, Hyundai Motor Company, Kia Motors Corporation, Mazda Motor Corporation, Nissan Motor Co., Ltd., Subaru, and Toyota Motor Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the State of California and 22 other states and environmental groups have filed lawsuits challenging the Trump administration's decision; and

WHEREAS, in November 2019, the State of California announced it would halt all purchases of new vehicles for state government fleets from automakers backing the Trump administration's decision and no longer allow state agencies to buy sedans powered by an internal combustion engine, with exemptions for certain public safety vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the City of Richmond supports the State of California's vehicle emissions regulations and denounces efforts by the Trump administration and the aforementioned automobile manufacturers to bar states from adopting their own emissions standards.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Richmond City Council hereby bars the City of Richmond from purchasing or leasing non-electric vehicles, including hybrids, from automobile manufacturers that refuse to support the State of California's vehicle emissions regulations, including, but not limited to, Fiat Chrysler Automobiles N.V., General Motors Company, Hyundai Motor Company, Kia Motors Corporation, Mazda Motor Corporation, Nissan Motor Co., Ltd., Subaru, and Toyota Motor Corporation.

I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting thereof held December 3, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Bates, Johnson, Martinez, Myrick, Willis,
Vice Mayor Choi, and Mayor Butt.

NOES: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None.

ABSENT: None.

PAMELA CHRISTIAN
CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND
(SEAL)

Approved:

TOM BUTT
Mayor

Approved as to form:

BRUCE GOODMILLER
City Attorney

State of California }
County of Contra Costa } : ss.
City of Richmond }

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of **Resolution No. 113-19**, finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on November December 3, 2019.


Pamela Christian, Clerk of the City of Richmond