



## CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

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**Julian A. Gold M.D., Mayor**

July 6, 2018

The Honorable Ricardo Lara  
California State Senate, 33rd District  
State Capitol, Room 5132  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: SB 1000 (Lara) Transportation electrification: electric vehicle charging infrastructure.  
**City of Beverly Hills – OPPOSE UNLESS AMENDED**

Dear Senator Lara,

On behalf of the City of Beverly Hills, I write to you in respectful **OPPOSITION** to your **SB 1000 (Lara) UNLESS AMENDED**. As currently drafted, this bill would limit the ability of cities to effectively allocate electric vehicle (EV) charging stations in a manner best suited for their needs. Specifically, this bill would prohibit cities and counties from restricting which types of electric vehicles may access publicly accessible EV charging stations that were wholly or partially funded by ratepayers or state funds.

The City of Beverly Hills is committed to the state's efforts to combat climate change and improve air quality by reducing greenhouse gas emissions from the transportation sector. To accomplish this lofty goal, the state will need to expand its existing EV charging infrastructure. These are efforts that the City supports. However, the state must expand its EV charging infrastructure in a manner that does not sacrifice local control. The state is ill-equipped to mandate what constitutes appropriate use of publicly accessible charging stations since electric vehicle adoption and usage varies widely between different counties, and even between different cities in the same county.

The City of Beverly Hills has adopted an ordinance prohibiting hybrid vehicles from parking at EV charging stations. This was done as hybrid vehicles have alternative sources for fuel that EV vehicles do not have available to them. The City of Beverly Hills has a limited number of EV charging spaces; therefore, the City has restricted their use for vehicles that are 100 percent reliant on a charging station for power.

Additionally, each city in California is unique in terms of size, available space and other factors that makes the “one size fits all” approach contemplated by this bill unattainable.

Prohibiting cities and counties from being able to determine how best to promote and encourage the use of EVs and how best to expand their EV charging infrastructure is not the route the state should take to meet our climate goals. For these reasons, the City of Beverly Hills must respectfully **OPPOSE** your **SB 1000 (Lara) UNLESS AMENDED** to address the concerns expressed above. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Julian A. Gold', written over a vertical line that extends from the signature down to the typed name below.

Julian A. Gold, MD  
Mayor, City of Beverly Hills

cc: Members and Consultants, Assembly Utilities and Energy Committee  
The Honorable Ben Allen, 26th Senate District  
The Honorable Richard Bloom, 50th Assembly District  
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